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Shows production of "Girl Crazy  
is lovely Teri Regis as "Molly."  
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of the Guy Bolton and Jack Gow  
an musical follows:  
**Van Kirk**  
Born and bred in Boston, Van  
Kirk began his career as church  
singer in that city. His voice wa  
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# 'Mad Minute' Climaxes Show; Guests Witness 'Glider Snatch'

## Civilians Shown How Their Bond Money Was Spent

The thunderous crescendo of 250 troops firing every weapon in the infantry arsenal for "one mad minute" served as a crashing climax to a spectacular four-and-one-half hour show of military might staged by Fort Benning for more than 1,600 Chattahoochee valley guests Tuesday afternoon. The attraction marked the initial major event in the week-long celebration of Army Day.

Lined up along a 200-yard line of battle, everything from the staccato bark of the machine guns to the belly-roar of the new 75-millimeter recoilless rifles contributed to the deafening din for a full 60 seconds to bring home to the spectators the real meaning of war with frightful impact.

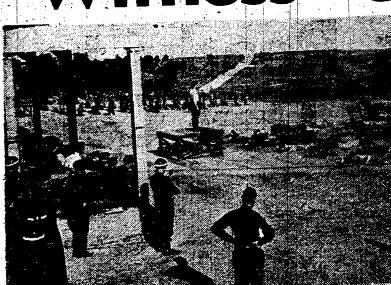
Earlier, the civilians witnessed "wounded" men snatched from the Lawson field of battle in a previously landed glider by a C-47 troop carrier as the whining-cry of the Mustang fighters covered the action.

Before carrying off the wounded, the glider had silently nosed down to the action and belched forth a jeep which sped to the support of the more than three score paratroopers who had leaped at 600 feet from three C-47s through a smoke screen and were in process of "securing the objective."

### Mustang Swoop

Strafing the field to break down "enemy" resistance for the paratroopers, the Mustangs swooped within 30 feet of the ground and later downed an enemy plane in a mock dog-fight.

The snatching of the glider from the field of battle is done with a nylon rope and a loud murmur arose from bare-legged women in the gallery as the demonstrator explained the elastic qualities of nylon rope, together with a "pay-



**THE ARMY SHOWS ITS MIGHT**—In the first celebration of Army Day in five years, Fort Benning was host to more than 1,000 residents of the Chattahoochee valley Tuesday afternoon as the first big event in the week-long demon-

stration. Upper left, three groups of Officer Candidates gyrate through a physical training program; center, a paratrooper shows the correct "jumping attitude"; upper right, a demonstrator explains how a paratrooper is "harnessed." Lower left, in the background can be seen one of the three score troopers who were landed for the "Battle for Lawson Field," right, is a section of the gallery.

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In his welcoming remarks to the visitors to the Infantry School, Continued on Page 31



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## Capt. Treadwell, Medal of Honor Winner, Joins 25th Infantry

Captain Jack L. Treadwell, holder of practically every award the War Department offers including the nation's highest honor, the Congressional Medal of Honor, has been assigned to the 25th Combat Team, and will command Company A of the 25th Infantry Regiment, it was announced recently by Major Dwight C. Brewer, Adjutant, 25th Combat Team Headquarters.

In addition to the CMH, Captain Treadwell, combat veteran of the 180th Infantry of the famed 45th "Thunderbird" Division, holds the Distinguished Service Cross, Silver Star, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, French Croix de Guerre and the Purple Heart with three oak leaf clusters.

Captain Treadwell comes to Fort Benning from Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and his present assignment, highest at the home of The Infantry School, reunites him with his overseas commanding officer. Col. Robert L. DuBois, commanding officer of the 25th Combat Team, commanded the 180th Infantry through the Sicilian, Italian and Southern France campaigns.

**Commissioned in Combat**  
A veteran of all of his unit's fighting, Captain Treadwell was commissioned on the field of battle from the rank of Technical Sergeant while the 180th Infantry was engaged in the Sicilian fighting. He received two more field promotions, attaining his present rank while commanding Company

F, after the 180th had been pulled out of the Italian Theatre and had invaded Southern France.

Captain Treadwell received the CMH for conspicuous gallantry and courage, after taking command of Company F while the unit was engaged in cracking the vaunted Siegfried line.

His citation reads: "On 18 March 1945 near Neider-Wurzbach, Germany, in the Siegfried Line, single-handedly Captain Treadwell captured six enemy pillboxes and 18 prisoners. Murderous enemy automatic and rifle fire with intermittent artillery had pinned down his company for hours at the base of a hill, defended by concrete fortifications and interlocking trenches.

### Went Forward Alone

"Eight men sent to attack a single point had all become casualties on the bare slope when Captain Treadwell, armed with a submachine gun and hand grenades, went forward alone to clear the way for his stalled company. Over terrain devoid of cover and swept by bullets he fearlessly advanced, firing at the aperture of the nearest pillbox and, when within range, hurling grenades at it. He reached the pillbox, thrust the muzzle of his gun through the port, and drove four Germans out with their hands in the air. A fifth was found dead inside.

"Waving these prisoners back to the American line, he continued under this terrible, concentrated fire to the next pillbox and

took it in the same manner. In this fort he captured the commander of the hill defenses, whom he sent to the rear with the other prisoners. Never slackening his attack, he ran across the crest of the hill to a third pillbox, traversing this distance in full view of hostile machine-guns and snipers. He was again successful in taking the enemy position.

### Men Storm After Him

"The Germans quickly fell prey to his further rushes on three more pillboxes in the confusion and havoc caused by his whirl-

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Three

wind assaults and capture of their commander. Inspired by the electrifying performance of their leader, the men of Company F stormed after him and overwhelmed resistance on the hill, driving a wedge into the Siegfried Line and making it possible for their battalion to take its objective. By his courageous willingness to face nearly impossible odds and by his overpowering one-man offensive, Captain Treadwell reduced a heavily fortified, seemingly impregnable enemy sector.

Captain Treadwell's mother, Mrs. T. W. Treadwell, resides at Snyder, Oklahoma.

## Maj. Davis Named RC Casual Exec.

BY SGT. W. A. HAGINS

Major Edgar C. Davis, former Provost Marshal of Ft. Benning, was recently named executive officer of the Reception Center Casual Detachment.

Major Davis is a veteran of both World Wars and has served 27 years. He spent 23 months overseas in the CBI during the past global struggle as executive officer and provost marshal of his outfit. At one time, he was sergeant major of the 25th Infantry. He was commissioned September, 1942, and reached the rank of major, Aug. 22, 1944.



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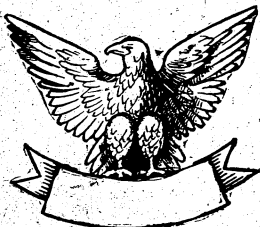
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## Col. Jenna, ETO Vet, New CO of 25th Inf.

Colonel Russell W. Jenna, ETO veteran of more than two and a half years, assumed command of the recently activated 25th Infantry Regiment March 23rd, it was announced by Col. Robert L. Dulaney, commander of the 25th Combat Team. He succeeds Lt. Col. Donald Patterson who is now serving as the Regiment's Executive Officer.

A graduate of the United States Military Academy in 1934, Col. Jenna, then 2nd Lt. Jenna, was assigned to the 6th Infantry at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri as a company commander, and has since held a wide variety of command and staff assignments, advancing to his present rank of colonel on 13 May 1945. While in the ETO, Col. Jenna served as assistant G-3 of the II Corps in North Africa and Sicily and as G-3 of the famous "Hell on Wheels" Second Armored Division.

### TIS Graduate

His present assignment marks the third time Colonel Jenna has been at Fort Benning. Immediately following his service with the Sixth Infantry, Colonel Jenna attended the Infantry School as a student and after graduating from the Company Commander's Course was sent to the Panama Canal Zone in the 33rd Infantry. In August 1940 he returned to Fort Benning as a company commander and S-4 in the 29th Infantry.

Shortly before being ordered overseas Colonel Jenna attended the four month course at the Command and General Staff school at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas and was assigned as assistant G-3 of the XII Corps at Columbia, S. C. in December 1942.

**Held Elbe Bridgehead**  
Colonel Jenna in his capacity as Commanding Officer of the Combat Command "B" of the Second Armored Division, had the historically significant honor of leading the first Allied outfit through

Teutoburger Wald, the scene of the defeat of the Roman Legions of Augustus Caesar by the fierce Germanic barbarians under Arminius in 9 A. D. Combat Command "B" under Colonel Jenna also held the only bridgehead across the Elbe River during the critically important days from April 15 to April 20th, 1945.

Colonel Jenna was awarded the Silver Star and the Bronze Star with three Oak Leaf Clusters for gallantry in action in the European Theater. Among his decorations are the Legion of Merit, the Croix de Guerre with Palmes, the Etoile Fourragere, the Order of War for Fatherland given him by the Russians, and an arrowhead and six battle stars for the ETO ribbon.

Colonel and Mrs. Jenna live with their two children, Steve and a half, and Russell Jr., two and a half, at 307 Austin Loop.

## Civilian Employees' Counselor at RC Friday Mornings

A counselor from the Employees Relation Section, Post Civilian Personnel Branch, will be in the Reception Center Personnel Section every Friday morning from 1000 to 1200 EST to aid sections using civilian employees and supervisors with information relative to Civil Service Civilian personnel rules and regulations data can be secured from this office also.

Employees who wish to ask questions pertaining to duty to confer with the counselor. All persons seeking information have been asked to make their visits as short as possible so that each one will have a chance to talk with the Civilian Personnel Branch representative.

## Building Material Subsidies Restored

WASHINGTON, April 2.—(AP)—A Senate banking subcommittee restored to President Truman's emergency housing legislation today what he called its "very heart"—\$600,000,000 for building material subsidies which the House had cut out.

It also put back price ceilings on existing homes and unimproved land, another key provision which Mr. Truman asked but was denied by a House coalition of Republicans and Southern Democrats.



**ARMY DAY** speaker at Danville, Va., will be Brig. Gen. Harp F. Harness, president of the Army Ground Forces Board No. 3, who is scheduled to address 3,000 civilians. Gen. Harness, who is a native of Richmond, Va., will talk on "The Overall Benefits of Army Life."

## Pfc. Hensley Fires 'Perfect' On BAR

For the second time in two months, a perfect score of 175 was achieved with the B. A. R. on McClellan Range, March 14, 1946. Out of the 150,000 who have fired the range, only once before has anyone succeeded in doing this, according to Major Miller, Weapons Section.

It was accomplished this time by Pfc. Lewis C. Hensley of the 6th Company, firing with NCO Class No. 2. Pfc. Hensley was overseas with the 45th Infantry Division and comes from Bedford County, Virginia.

## 'TIGHTEN THE BELT' GARDENS TO SPRING UP IN ARMY CAMPS

"Tighten the Belt Gardens" will be sprouting up in Army camps all over the world where soil conditions are favorable as the result of a directive issued to all commanders by the Army War Department announced today.

The War Department recognizes the need and value of truck gardens at posts, camps and stations at this time when worldwide food conservation is required and desires to co-operate to the fullest extent with the President's food conservation program.

"In addition to voluntary off-time recreation activity, Commanding Officers will utilize prison labor for gardening as a primary mission of rehabilitation. Equipment and tools or additional farm implements will be requisitioned at those posts, camps and stations where the soil is suitable for gardening purposes and plots of such size to provide for the growing of vegetables common to military requirements. Such items as potatoes, corn, green beans, tomatoes, beets, carrots, and cucumbers will be encouraged.

"Food so produced will be for the consumption of military personnel only, and not for sale to civilians. Commanding Officers will consult the local county agricultural agent for information relative to the types of crops, time of planting and other information to aid in the cultivation of crops.

"Crops realized from this source will result in a corresponding decrease in quantities of foodstuffs procured through requisition."

A letter from the Army Air Force to Air Force bases advised that at some bases hydroponics may be found to be profitable.

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**HONOR AND SACRIFICE IN WAR**—Maj. Gen. John W. ("Iron Mike") O'Daniel (left), Infantry School Commandant, pays his compliments and sympathy to Mr. Needham Joiner (second from left) of Sparks, Ga., and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer M. Forrest, of Hartford, Alabama, after the Fort Benning review Saturday in which the fathers of Pfc. Roy Joiner and Tech. Sgt. Byron Forrest were presented Bronze Star Medals won by the heroic sons they lost in action. General O'Daniel speaks with deep understanding. His only son, John W. Jr., was killed in action in Holland in September, 1944. (Official U. S. Army Photo—The Infantry School.)

## Nine Veterans Honored at TIS

Delmar B. Chamlee, of Sampson, Alabama, Saturday was awarded two coveted Army medals—the Distinguished Service Cross and the Bronze Star—by Maj. Gen. John W. O'Daniel, Infantry School Commandant, at a review at the post.

Elmer M. Forrest, Hartford, Alabama, was presented the Bronze Star medal as a posthumous award for his son Tech Sgt. Byron Forrest, "for heroic achievement in action on April 17, 1945, near Barchetta, Italy."

General O'Daniel also presented the Bronze Star to Mr. Needham Joiner, Sparks, Ga., as a posthumous award for his son, Pfc. Roy Joiner, a company aid man, "for heroic action near Gross-Riedersheim, France on Dec. 12, 1944."

**Six Awarded Letters.** Letters of merit were awarded by General O'Daniel to six high ranking non-commissioned officers in School Troops, The Infantry School. Recipients were: M-Sgt. Agusta E. Reffett, 1st Sgt. Lucius Jones, T-Sgt. Burt Griffin, T-Sgt. Clarence G. Skipper, and T-Sgt. Nathan Murphy.

Chamlee was awarded the DSC for "extraordinary heroism in action on October 6, 1944," according to the official citation.

Chamlee, then a Pfc. machine gunner with the attacking forces near Grandvillers, France, "delivered rapid and accurate fire against a counter-attacking enemy force. His accurate fire accounted for twenty-three enemy soldiers killed and an unknown number wounded. When the enemy concentrated fire on his position in an attempt to silence his weapon, he was wounded in the eye by a grenade fragment. Although almost blinded, he remained at his position and a few moments later was wounded in the shoulder, rendering his right arm useless. Nevertheless, he doggedly remained at his gun, continuing to fire until the counterattack had been repulsed. His tenacity and devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the military service."

"For heroic achievement in action on August 19, 1944, near Barjols, France," Chamlee earned the Bronze Star medal.

## Promotions For 32 Announced In RC

Promotion for 32 members of the RC enlisted personnel was announced by Reception Center Regimental Headquarters Tuesday.

Staff Sergeant ratings were awarded T-4 Robert Miller and Sergeant John E. Wallace.

Promoted to the grade of sergeant were Technicians Fifth Grade Carl F. Fischer, James Gardner Jr., William H. Johnson, Alonzo Jones and Oliver Ward Jr.

Technicians Fourth Grade ratings went to Technicians Fifth Grade Edward N. Curtis, Russell V. Ford, William A. Hagins, William C. Haralson, Isiah Pugh, and Theodore A. Rother Jr.

The following private first class were promoted to Corporal: Willie R. Alexander, Donald J. Cantrell, Donald P. Dill, Charles R. Houston, Wilfred Jenkins, Dorothy Johnson, and Alice Robinson.

Privates awarded Corporal ratings were Doris Banks, Madelon Bloodorn, Naomi Ford, Louis R. Rhinehart, and Thomas R. Sessions.

Private first class ratings went to Samuel Davis, Willie McClinton, Leli M. Narcisse, Charlotte B. Shanklin, Bennie L. Turner, James D. Word, and Idiom O. Wynn.

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## Col. Lindquist Appointed Ass't TABS Commandant

Colonel Roy E. Lindquist, former commanding officer of the 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment, assumed duties as Assistant Commandant of the Airborne School Tuesday, March 26, filling the vacancy left by the departure of Col. James W. Coutts last February.

Colonel Lindquist returned from the European Theater early this year, attending the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, before reporting to the Airborne School.

Colonel Lindquist is a familiar figure at Fort Benning, having been active in various organizations on this post for some years. While an instructor and member of the board of the Infantry School, he drafted Field Manual 22-5, better known as the "IDR," or Infantry Drill Regulations. Colonel Lindquist also wrote FM 23-5, the bible of the M1 rifle, and regulations of formal guard mount. An ardent sports enthusiast, the colonel was captain of the ice hockey team at West Point and coach of Fort Benning's baseball team while at the Infantry School.

Volunteering for the paratroops in its infancy, Colonel Lindquist qualified with the 501st Regiment when it was activated at Benning. He left the 501 in the spring of 1941 to become S-1 of the Provisional Parachute Group; then, in the spring of 1942, G-1 of the Airborne Command at Fort Bragg. After the activation of the 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment, Colonel Lindquist became its commanding officer and led the "Red Devils" from the maneuver areas of Carolina and Tennessee overseas into Normandy, Holland, and Belgium under the colors of the famous 82nd Airborne Division.

Colonel Lindquist was accompanied to Fort Benning by his wife and two boys.



COL. LINDQUIST  
Assistant Commandant

### AMMUNITION BARGE HUNTED BY PLANES

FORT PIERCE, Fla., April 2.—(AP)—A navy barge loaded with 134 tons of bombs and depth bombs, loose in the Atlantic for two days, was sighted late yesterday but disappeared before surface craft could reach the scene, it was revealed tonight.

The barge was seen about 40 miles east of Fort Pierce, the navy amphibious base reported. It had slipped its towline early Monday. Scout planes continued the search today, and shipping was warned to avoid the barge but report its position if they see it.

## 3rd AAF Handles Precious Cargo For A-Bomb Tests

GREENVILLE, AAB, S. C.—Established two months ago to facilitate the rapid movement of high priority personnel and equipment for "Operations Crossroads," the coast-to-coast airline of Maj. Gen. Paul L. Williams' Third Air Force (Troop Carrier) has transported more than 400,000 pounds of vital cargo in addition to hauling thousands of passengers to destinations throughout the country.

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Handling precious cargo, including many illustrious scientists affiliated with the A-Bomb project, is nothing new to the battle-tested Troop Carrier air crews assigned to the "Crossroads Operations," for it was these fearless pilots, radio operators, engineers, and navigators who flew unarmed transports in Allied invasions from Burma to Bastogne.

In addition to regular cross-country schedules maintained with the 20 Curtiss Commandos, this unique airline meets a constant demand for aircraft to move scientists and other important personnel and equipment to many other remote parts of the country.

Current headquarters for "Operations Crossroads" organization is at the Roswell Army Air Base, Roswell, N. M.

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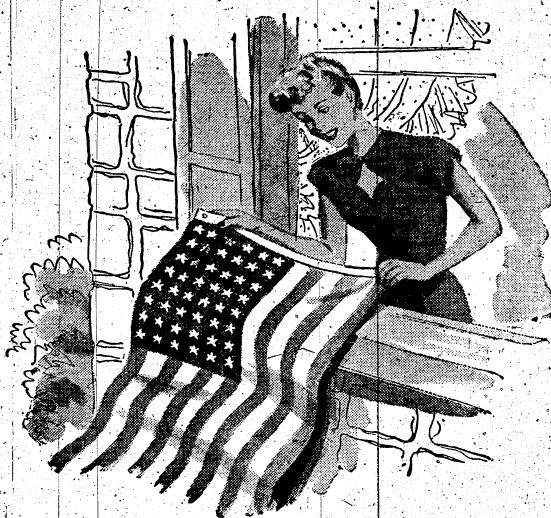
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# Phenix City Mayor Visits TABS

## Discusses Curfew With Commandant

Mayor Homer D. Cobb of Phenix City, accompanied by his Chief of Police, Pal M. Daniel, and the Assistant Chief of Police, L. A. Cottrell, visited the Airborne School Friday as guests of Maj. Gen. Gerry Chapman, commandant.

During the conference of the civic officials and I-and-E representatives from all over TABS, Mayor Cobb was afforded the opportunity of speaking with military authorities concerning present relations between Airborne soldiers and the townspeople of Phenix City.

Mayor Cobb, in expressing his desire that all of the military personnel should feel welcome to visit the city at any time, said "We have not applied the recent curfew to our city in an effort to curtail the soldiers, but have done so in order to eliminate some of the undesirable elements with which some soldiers have found it necessary to associate. I am sure the future relationships between our peoples will be of a sincere and friendly nature."

Gen. Chapman gave his views on the situation, presenting the soldiers' perspective, and suggested methods of correlating ideas to determine criteria for bettering the condition. Both Gen. Chapman and Mayor Cobb reviewed the cases that have appeared before the police courts in recent months, in an effort to define the crux of the situation.

Police Chief Daniel spoke to the group, explaining the problems confronting the police force and assuring the cooperation of his men in coordination with the



**GEN. CHAPMAN PRESENTS HIS VIEWS ON SOLDIER-CIVILIAN RELATIONS** — Maj. Gen. Gerry Chapman, Commandant of the Airborne School, gives the soldiers' perspective on military-civilian relationships in Phenix City during a conference of military and civic authorities at TABS. Seated are (left to right): Mayor Homer D. Cobb, Police Chief Pal M. Daniels, and Assistant Police Chief L. A. Cottrell. — (Airborne School Photo).

military authorities at Fort Benning.

In closing, Mayor Cobb expressed his "desire to offer the soldier any recreational facilities we have available and in turn ask that one and all please abide by the current curfew regulations."

## Billeting Officer On Inactive Status; Upped To Major

Capt. Ralph P. Rudnick, billeting officer for Fort Benning since January 19, 1945, has departed the post and reverted to inactive status. His duties will be assumed by Mrs. Mary A. Dinsmore, administrative assistant, who has been employed in the billeting office since April 12, 1942.

Simultaneous with Capt. Rudnick's retirement was his promotion to the rank of major. After separation at Fort McPherson he will spend two weeks in Miami Beach, Fla., and will proceed to his home in Brookline, Mass., to take up his private business.

**Honored for Service**  
Mrs. Dinsmore, widow of Maj. John R. Dinsmore, J.A.G.D., has been employed on the post since November, 1940, working first in the office of the Officers' Club, and later as Chief Clerk in the billeting office under Lt. Col. Maynard Ashworth, Capt. John A. White, and Capt. John W. Myers. She was one of the women employed in the service forces who recently received a certificate for meritorious service.

Succeeding Capt. Meyers in the billeting office, Capt. Rudnick came to Fort Benning from the University of Alabama, where he was in charge of A.S.T.P. for military personnel. He was first named post bus transportation officer. Following a prolonged

study he revised and consolidated bus routings covering the entire reservation.

Capt. Rudnick began his active duty January 3, 1942. After a brief tour of duty at the Quartermaster School, Camp Lee, Va., he was transferred to Alabama, where he remained for 27 months. Capt. Rudnick said he was "very regretful to return to civilian life after a most pleasant tour of duty at Fort Benning."

## API To Stage Military Review On Army Day

AUBURN, Ala., April 3—Alabama Polytechnic Institute will stage a military review here Saturday as a high-point of Auburn's all-day observance of Army Day. Col. A. H. Dumas, a graduate of API and survivor of the Bataan death march, will deliver an address after the review.

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BY MAJ. CLARENCE COHEN,  
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### DEATH COMES TO GENERAL PATTON

(Extracted from Public Safety, February 1946)

To General George Smith Patton Jr. death was no stranger. The Grim Specter had been close-by on many a bloody fight in Africa, Sicily, France and Germany; in the front ranks where Patton led, gambled with death and won through.

The combined might of the Wehrmacht couldn't stop nor could all of the military lore of the Prussian High Command meet his ruthless, knife-like thrusts in battle.

Survivor of two great wars, three battle wounds and dozens of narrow escapes in battle, General Patton met death just four days before Christmas, 1945; the result of injuries received in an automobile accident in Germany in early December.

General Patton's death might have been prevented. A moment's watchfulness in the ordinary traffic of occupied territory might have saved the life of this great American.

The white light of publicity highlighted this traffic death in all its sheer waste of talent and leadership. Had it occurred before the fall of Hitler, Europe's European might have changed the fortunes of war and the course of American and world history.

"How many leaders have met

death from accidents before opportunity provided for the full exploitation of their talents is, of course, mere speculation. How many potential greats have been cut off in their youth, we shall never know. But a casual glance at the obituaries of those who, known some measure of fame or fortune, died as the result of accidents shows an appalling waste of talent and leadership.

A brief review of these over the last decade brings to light such names as these:

COL. T. E. LAWRENCE, known as "Lawrence of Arabia," British soldier, statesman and author; of injuries received in a motorcycle accident in Wool Dorset, England, 1936.

ROBERT CARROTHERS, national junior tennis champion, killed in an automobile accident, after a fire blew out on a road near San Diego, 1940.

ANNA WILMARTH ICKES, noted Illinois legislator in her own right and wife of former Secretary of the Interior Harold Ickes; when an automobile in which she was riding turned over near Santa Fe, 1938.

HAL KEMP, crack swing band leader; of injuries received in a crash-landing near Madera, Calif., 1940.

SIDNEY SMITH, comic strip artist, creator of "The Gumps"; died instantly when his car crashed into another near Harvard, Wis., 1937.

DR. JOSEPH C. MAYO, surgeon, one of the famed "Mayos of Rochester, Minn."; when his car struck a tree in Alma, Wis., 1936.

TOM MIX, western movie star; instantly when his car turned over near Florence, Ariz., 1940.

HARVEY DEVELL, managing editor of the "New York Daily News"; in an automobile accident at Teaneck, N. J., 1939.

THE COUNT OF CAVADON-GA, former Prince of the Asturias and heir to the Spanish throne, died after an automobile accident in Florida, 1938.

FRANKLYN HENRY HOOVER, editor emeritus of the Encyclopedia Britannica; of injuries when he was hit by a truck at Saratoga Lake, N. Y., 1940.

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## PROMOTION BY SELECTION

(From the Army and Navy Register)

"To The Editor:

Sir: "Consideration is being given to promotion by selection in the Army. To the laymen, unacquainted with the various types of duty that may fall to the lot of the average Army officer, such a system may seem to have merit. To those who served in the Army during the recent war and under Regular Officers whom they considered to be incompetent, a system of promotion by selection may seem indicated.

"If each officer in the Army performed the same type of duty in the same grade in peacetime, then a system of promotion by selection would have some merit. The principle objection to this would be the clash of personalities of commanders and subordinates. However, promotion by selection in our present Army system would bring about a chaotic condition where officers would vie for positions as staff officers and aides to obtain the good reports that are the springboard to promotion. Every officer would be obliged to mirror the idiosyncrasies and whims of his superiors if he were to obtain reports that would merit his consideration for promotion by selection.

With a system of promotion by selection it would be official suicide for an officer to do duty with the National Guard, Organized Reserve, or other civilian component where he would be stationed at a distance from his immediate superior.

The writer of this letter served a total of five years on two details with the civilian components. The service was rendered under two senior officers and on two types of duty, Organized Reserve, and National Guard. One of the seniors visited the writer twice during his entire tour and was under the influence of liquor on both occasions. The other senior never visited the writer during his tour. Yet both of these senior officers rendered efficiency reports which gave such a low rating that they would have precluded any chance of promotion by selection. An officer assigned as aide to a general officer with duties that were solely that of an aide received superior reports for over ten years. In selection for promotion the latter would certainly be the superior officer by comparison of records which are based on the reports of such officers.

"A system for the elimination of unsuitable officers has been provided, but to serious attempt has ever been made to put it into effect. Commanders studiously avoided the annoyance of placing subordinates in Class B with a view to their elimination from the service. Instead such subordinates were given passing ratings and left to be other commanders' problems. A system whereby the obviously unfit would be eliminated would be the solution to the problem which prevents proper elimination with resultant faster promotion in the Army.

"Officers entering the Army must be assured of some measure of security based on satisfactory performance of duty. According to the present system, an officer may reach the grade of colonel and be able to express his ideas and retain his own personality. With present selection to the grade of brigadier-general, it is a question of demonstrated outstanding ability in some few cases, but mainly it is the chance association with the right people at the right time

and in the right places, that brings about such selection.

"Institute a system of two-year provisional appointments for all newly commissioned officers. Put teeth into the present reclassification regulations and force commanders who are striving for a high rating in fact and in ability to get along with others to perform their duty. Then there can be no need for a system of promotion by selection which in our Army, with its widely varied types of duty, will only lead to mass production of yes men, the stifling of initiative, a scramble for details in officially sheltered positions and a retired list that will make the Army the target of economy-minded legislators.

"INFANTRY"

## Blind Vet Ready To Pay Off His \$2,000 GI Loan

PHILADELPHIA, April 3—(P)—Blind William Michael Hughes is ready to pay off the \$2,000 GI loan he obtained five months ago to open a gift shop. During a national radio broadcast he mentioned that one of the items he sells is called a pie duckling, a pottery device for conserving juice in pies.

Orders poured in for more than 17,000 each accompanied by \$1. He also received about \$1,000 worth of orders for other items.

The veteran, blinded in France when a mine exploded, thinks he was the first blind GI to take a business loan in this area. Ditto the pay off.



Reprinted from the April issue of Esquire

"Yoo hoo, Mrs. O'Leary—could you lend me a couple of oranges?"



## THOUGHTS IN SPRING

By Chaplain Harvey M. Hardin

Every season of the year has attractions and benefits. This is especially true of spring. It is great to be alive. No wars are raging, as in the past several years. Peace has come again to the nations. Many of us are home, reunited with wife and children. The winter is past. Sunshine increases each day. New green grass has sprung up and covered the ground. Many flowers, shrubs and trees have burst into a mass of blossoms, colored red, pink, white and yellow. During the past week it has been easy to feel that every bush is aflame with the glory of God.

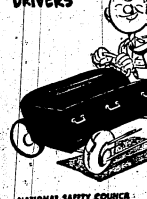
We must enjoy this beauty now. Tomorrow the flowers will fade and be gone except for pleasant memories. So let us take time to see and appreciate them now. Added fragrance and colored blossoms for a few days would be worthwhile if that were all; but that is not all, we know the flower is the promise of fruit and seed at harvest time. This is how we get our food; and some seed will be planted to start a new cycle of life.

God gives the original life in these seeds. Left alone, they sprout, grow and die according to the laws of nature. Man can improve the plants and trees by selecting the best seed and preparing the best conditions for growth to take place. Thus, we have more beautiful flowers when and where we want them. The same skillful work provides more food for man than nature would produce by itself.

Let us be thankful for the beauty and fragrance of new life in the spring. Let us labor intelligently so that there may be an abundant future harvest of fruit and grain in the field, and similar rewards for our work in the office and classroom. These are some of my thoughts this spring. What are yours? Think high thoughts and do the best things for your own sake as well as for those about you.

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## Academic Student Trains Boys in Chicago Schools

BY PVT. JOHN DOBBIN

Forty-five battle wise non-commissioned officers, acting as instructors of military science in 28 Chicago high schools, are passing on their hard won knowledge of modern combat to over 7,000 teen-aged inhabitants of the Windy City.

Chicago is determined that its arriving generation shall be well prepared to preserve the peace so dearly purchased by another generation that went into battle with boundless courage but too little mastery of the art of war.

This military training in Chicago high schools, which is similar to the Reserve Officer Training Corps program adopted by most American colleges, is supervised by a board of eight Army officers. One of these officers, Capt. Stanley W. Woodruff, is now enrolled in the Professors of Military Science and Tactics Course at the Academic Regiment, The Infantry School. When Captain Woodruff returns to Chicago, upon completion of the course, he will be able to orient the enlisted instructors, who teach in the six high schools over which he has supervision on the latest technical, tactical and

mechanical advances made in the study of military science.

"Students participate in Chicago's high school military training program on a purely voluntary basis and usually in lieu of physical education," Captain Woodruff explains. "Credits towards the acquisition of a diploma are given for military training as for any other course. The training is open to boys only and those in the last three grades are issued regulation Army uniforms which they wear to school two days a week. Although freshmen are not recognized as cadets and are not allowed to wear uniforms, many of them are enrolled in the program.

"The most popular feature of the program is, of course, rifle practice. Twenty-two calibre rifles are used on indoor ranges and the youthful marksmen, encouraged by competitive matches, are 'hanging up' amazing scores. The big rifle event of the school year is the William Randolph Hearst Shooting Match, a national event, won this year by a Chicago high school. Marksmanship, a universal talent among Americans of the bygone era, may well be on its

way back as a national characteristic.

"Military History and Law, Leadership, Infantry Drill, Small Unit Tactics, and a study of Infantry weapons are only a few of the subjects covered in the academic phase of training. The basic training films, used so successfully in the army, supplement class work. Students who have this training in high school have the advantage of being able to join an advanced ROTC course upon entering college.

"Chicago high school students take as much pride in their smart cadet parade units and drum and bugle corps as in their football and basketball teams. The units themselves have a marvelous esprit de corps and put as much zest into the calling of a delayed ca-

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Nine

dence as into a football cheer. Each year, a city colonel and his staff of officers are selected from among the cadets. The honorary colonel and his staff have the honor of leading the annual parade through the city's metropolitan area. The parade is reviewed by the commanding general of the Sixth Service Command and medals, provided by the Chicago Tribune, are awarded to outstanding cadets.

No Juvenile Delinquency

"Juvenile delinquency is conspicuously absent in city areas where the schools sponsor the military training program," Captain Woodruff claims. "This is especially noticeable among students of schools in the 'tough'

districts of the city. The program is helping to reform, I believe, a city that was once a lusty breeding ground for gunmen. High spirited youngsters, who might get into trouble if left to their own designs, find a safe outlet for their energies in rifle practice, drilling and physical exercises."

Chicago's broad system of military training in its high schools, under the supervision of experienced combat men, is serving to develop the qualities of leadership in the youth of the community.

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# General Chapman Leads First C-82 Jump



THE COMMANDANT AND THE PIONEERS—Maj. Gen. Gerry of the mammoth new C-82 troop transport behind eight members of the men pictured above made the first jumps in TABS from the plane. Left to right, the men are: T-Sgt. Albert P. Robinson, M-Sgt. Louie D. Davis, S-Sgt. William N. King, T-Sgt. Joseph E. Roberts, and WOJG Lloyd McCullough. (Airborne School Photo).

Chapman, Commandant of the Airborne School, poses in the door of the original 'Test Platoon' of paratroopers. Gen. Chapman and, new plane. Left to right, the men are: T-Sgt. Albert P. Robinson, Doucet, Sgt. Frank Kassel, WOJG T. E. Adams, M-Sgt. Grady A.

## 30 Troopers Take Part In 'Christening'

In a breath-taking and unique acceptance of the Army's huge new cargo plane, the C-82 'Pocket', Maj. Gen. Gerry Chapman, TABS, commandant, made the first jump from the silver monster over Normandy Field to inaugurate its first official operation by the Airborne School, Monday, April 3d.

Closely following their jumping general, eight members of the original 'Test Platoon', parachute pioneers of the perilous days of 1940, also leaped from the winged giant.

Two by two, the Airborne 'Trojan Horse' continued to spill a cloud of Troopers across the sky until 30 white chutes floated earthward in the christening.

### Latest Cargo Plane

Recently received by Colonel Henry R. Baxter, commandant of the 75th Troop Carrier Squadron at Lawson Field, the C-82 is the latest cargo type plane manufactured and will be used in all future Airborne Operations. The dual engine 'flying box-car' has two 2,000 horse-power engines capable of carrying 42 paratroopers, or ten tons of cargo at better than 180 m.p.h.

Maj. Gen. Chapman stated that he considered the recent allotment of two C-82 'Pocket' type cargo planes, forerunners of a squadron of such ships to be available for Airborne School use, the greatest step forward in Army Air Force facilities for the perfection of Airborne operations.

## Fort Benning Calendar

### Chapels

#### PROTESTANT SERVICES

Post Chapel: Communion Services, 10:30 a. m. Sunday School in the Children's School, 9:15 a. m. Morning worship, 10:30 p. m. Altar: 'Lord, We Cry to Thee' (Cantata). Sermon: Chaplain Theodore Bachler. Offertory: 'God Shall Wipe Away All Tears'—Cantata by Miss Elizabeth Hunt. Evening Worship, 6:30 p. m. Chaplain Harvey M. Hardin.

THE AIRBORNE SCHOOL: Morning worship at 10:30 a. m. Communion each ship at 10:30 a. m. First Sunday Vesper Service at 6:00 p. m. Chaplains Charles E. Mosher and William Moore Jr.

ASF REGIONAL HOSPITAL: Morning worship for the Medical Detachment, Patients and outpatients in the Red Cross Building at 10:30 a. m. Chaplain Walter H. Shine.

ACADEMIC REGIMENT: Morning worship at 10:30 a. m. in Main Post Chapel—Chaplain Harvey M. Hardin.

ACAD. REG'T, 2nd BN. AREA: Morning worship at 10:30 a. m. in Reading Room of 9th Company. Chaplain Harvey M. Hardin.

RECEPTION CENTER: Worship service at 10:30 a. m. in Reception Center Theatre. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Evening worship at 7:00 p. m. Midweek Prayer Service, Wednesday at 7:00 p. m. Chaplains Theodore Brooks and Percy N. Marshburn.

LAWSON FIELD: The new weekly schedule of Protestant Services is as follows: Sunday, Morning Worship, 10:00 Tuesday, 10:30 a. m. Wednesday, 10:30 a. m. Thursday, 10:30 a. m. Friday, 10:30 a. m. Chaplain Frank Wasser.

HARMONY CHURCH AREA: THIRD ST. METHODIST: Morning worship at 9:45 a. m. in Chapel No. 2. (Communion each first Sunday). Chaplain Paul St. Fine.

SERVICE BATTALION, THIRD STE: Morning worship at 11:00 a. m. in Reception Hall, Building No. 5715. Prayer

Services each Wednesday evening at 7:00 p. m. Chaplain Lewis M. Durbin. FIRST INFANTRY DETACHMENT AND MOTOR POOL, 87C, II, 175: Morning worship at 10:30 a. m. in Chapel No. 1. (Communion each first Sunday). Chaplain Charles P. Carlson.

#### CATHOLIC NOTICES

SIGERFOOSE AND VIBBERT: Sunday Masses at 7:00, 8:00, 10:00, 11:00 and 12:00. Confessions—Saturday afternoon from 4:00 to 5:30 and from 7:00 to 8:30 p. m. Novena services Monday and Wednesday at 6:30 p. m.

ASF REGIONAL HOSPITAL: Ward E-1 Sunday Masses at 6:00, 8:00, and 10:00 a. m. Daily Mass at 6:00 p. m. Novena Services, Tuesday after Mass. Confessions—Saturday evening from 7:00 to 9:00 p. m.

AIRBORNE SCHOOL CHAPEL: No. 1 Sunday Masses at 8:00 and 11:00 a. m. Confessions—Saturday evening from 7:00 to 9:00 p. m.

LAWSON FIELD CHAPEL: No. 2 Sunday Mass at 9:00 a. m. Confessions before Mass.

HARMONY CHURCH AREA: Masses at Chapel No. 1 at 9:00 a. m. Chapel No. 2 at 11:00 a. m. Chapel No. 3 at 7:00, 8:30 and 11:10 a. m. Confessions before all Masses.

CATHOLIC LENTEN SERVICES: Every Wednesday night during Lent special Lenten Devotions consisting of Rosary, sermon and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament beginning at 8 p. m. Daily Mass—Every evening Monday through Friday at 8:00 p. m. Friday Evening—Lenten Devotions at 8:00 p. m.

ASF REGIONAL HOSPITAL: Catholic Chapel: Ward E-1. Daily Mass during Lenten season at 6:00 p. m. Friday Evening—Lenten Devotions at 8:00 p. m.

AIRBORNE SCHOOL CHAPEL: Daily Mass at 6 p. m. Friday Evening—Lenten Devotions at 8:00 p. m.

LAWSON FIELD CHAPEL: No. 2. Daily Mass at 9:00 a. m. Friday Evening—Lenten Devotions at 8:00 p. m.

HARMONY CHURCH AREA: Chapel No. 1. Daily Mass at 9:00 a. m. Friday Evening—Lenten Devotions at 8:00 p. m.

HARMONY CHURCH AREA: Chapel No. 2. Daily Mass at 11:00 a. m. Friday Evening—Lenten Devotions at 8:00 p. m.

HARMONY CHURCH AREA: Chapel No. 3. Daily Mass at 7:00, 8:30 and 11:10 a. m. Friday Evening—Lenten Devotions at 8:00 p. m.

JEWISH SERVICES: Services are held every Friday evening at 7:30 p. m. in the Main Post Chapel. This service is for all personnel. A social will follow.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES: Main Post Chapel services at 8 p. m. Sunday, Harmony Church chapel, 9 p. m. Friday. Services conducted by William V. Rath, C. S. Wartime Minister.

PRESBYTERIAN CENTER: All soldiers are invited to visit the Presbyterian Service Men's Club Room at 11th Street, in Columbus, every Saturday and Sunday. Supper served 6:30 p. m. each Sunday.

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# Original U.S. Army Paratroopers Recall Day of Historic First Jump

## Test Platoon Members Still Serve At TABS

By SGT. JAMES F. QUINN

Master Sgt. Louis D. Davis and Staff Sgt. William N. King—two pioneers in parachute experimentation as members of the original "Test Platoon," parental group of the world's most modern and deadly striking force, the Parachute Infantry—still wear jumper's boots and wings at the Airborne School today.

While leaping from planes in flight still drew gasps of admiration and horror at Flying Circus Shows, King and Davis, as volunteers in an experimental group officially designated as the "Test Platoon," were testing and re-testing parachutes and equipment in obscurity.

**Sounded Like Adventure**  
Both M-Sgt. Davis and S-Sgt. King agreed with very grins that jumping was a bit rough at the start. "Like everyone else," Davis said, "we knew, no more, no less, about parachute jumping than we had seen at Flying Circus Shows or in newsreels. But,



**TWO OF ORIGINAL "TEST PLATOON"** who jumped C-82—Staff Sgt. William N. King and Master Sgt. Louis D. Davis, two members of the original "Test Platoon," which was the unit that proved the worth of the Parachute troops, pictured at their jobs as "A" Sergeants from the new C-82 transport in its inaugural flight as troop carrier at Ft. Benning.—(Airborne School Photo).

it sounded like one h... of an adventure—so, we volunteered."

Major Gen. William C. Lee, then a major in the Training Office, Chief of Infantry, drew up the original organizational plans for the first "Test Platoon" early in 1940. Organized under a War Department order July 10, 1940, two officers and 46 enlisted men were selected from volunteers of the 29th Infantry, Fort Benning.

**Started From Scratch**  
"We felt pretty good about being in that platoon," Sgt. King declared. "From the C.O.'s, 1st Lt. William T. Ryder, on down, they were the finest group of men I have ever known. We started from scratch with little or nothing to work with, but each and every one worked the long, hard hours without one murmur of complaint."

Although organized July 10, 1940, the "Test Platoon" did not begin jumping until August 13, 1940. The DC-33 Transport plane was selected as the most suitable plane for parachute dropping because of its slow cruising speed and maneuverability. This plane roared down the runway at Lawson Field on the morning of August 13, 1940, lifting slowly into the humid Georgia air to inaugurate the first parachute operation by the U. S. Army.

**First Load—Eight Jumpers**  
"That first plane load carried eight jumpers," Sgt. King recalled. "Each of us sat hunched over in individual bucket seats as the plane circled the field. First Lt. William T. Ryder got up and stood by the door as we approached the drop zone. He was the first man and officer in the U. S. Army to exit from the door of a plane in flight in pursuance of hazard-

ous duty—the first official "Paratrooper."

S-Sgt. King was the first enlisted man to become a fully accredited paratrooper, for when the plane completed its second circling of the field he, too, arose from his seat and plunged out into space, following dauntless Lt. Ryder's breath-taking example.

"My turn came the following day," M-Sgt. Davis grinned. "I think I sweated it out more for each of the eight jumpers I had watched the preceding day than I did for myself during my jump. At that, I was eighth and last man to leave his seat, walk down the center of the plane, and out the door of that old DC-33. I had plenty of time to sweat it out as it circled the DZ, allowing each of the preceding seven men to make individual jumps."

**Modified Equipment**  
Continuing their jumping activities with deadly regularity, the platoon tested, developed, and modified their equipment until sure it complied with a modicum of safety. The first mass jump was made by the platoon August 22, with very few casualties. Seven days later, the first mass airborne operation, involving the entire platoon in a tactical problem following the jump, was made. During this operation, several men were injured.

On May 15, 1942, after almost two years of testing and evolving parachutes and equipment, both as

## Senate Approves 5-Stars For Life For 4 Admirals

WASHINGTON, April 3.—(AP)—The senate has approved permanent five-star rank for four naval officers who held it on a wartime basis.

They are Fleet Admirals William D. Leahy, Ernest J. King, Chester W. Nimitz and William F. Halsey.

The senate also confirmed the appointment of Gen. Alexander A. Vandegrift, commandant of the Marine corps, to the permanent grade of general.

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**THE INFORMATION AND EDUCATION SECTION** of School Troops receiving study assignments for later presentation at Orientation lectures. From left to right: Tec 5 James Moses, Tec 4 Donald Frazee, Capt. Kenneth D. McGallian, Information and Education Officer who is also acting as Recruiting Officer; Tec 5 Donald Zimmerman, Sgt. John Dutton, Tec 4 John Kidney, Pvt. Louis Shipack, Tec 4 Herbert Schenker, Pfc. Don E. Farlay and Pfc. Earl Baker. Away on assignments when the picture was taken were: Tec 5 Abraham Egnal, Tec 5 Ernest E. Mariani and Pfc. Chris Athas. (Official U. S. Photo—School Troops).

## 12-Man Team Of Research Experts Keeps School Troopers 'Oriented'

Keeping every Trooper fully abreast of the latest news developments and continuing his cultural and practical education, are the twin objectives of School Troops Information & Education section whose 12-man team of specialists under Captain Kenneth D. McGallian conducts weekly orientation periods and assist in the selection of off-duty study courses.

Summarizing the aims of his organization, Captain McGallian declared: "Newspaper and magazine articles give a superficial view of innumerable topics, often distorted to suit the purpose of a propaganda agency or news medium. The individual Trooper usually lacks the inclination or time

to delve into a given subject. We assign a staff member to do extensive research into a news development from its origin, and at the orientation session he is charged with presenting only the facts—the final forming of opinions is left to the man himself. In that way, we try to help men who have fought for ideals and social and economic progress not to be misled by demagogues who always arise after a war to exploit unsettled political and economic conditions.

**"In-Service" Preparation**  
"Another important function is bringing the man back into step with the industry or profession he engaged in or hopes to enter upon his discharge. We emphasize industry service preparation through correspondence courses and guided reading so that he can smoothly resume his useful place in society with a minimum of 'readjustment'."

The 12 enlisted members of the Information & Education section all have college backgrounds and proved ability to present impartial treatments of important news events and personal problems.

Current subjects discussed at orientation sessions are: "Progress of the UNO," "Problems of Iran," "Government of Russia," "United States Foreign Policy," and "National Service Life Insurance." After a 10-minute news summary and 15 minutes subject presentation, free discussion is held where conflicting viewpoints have full freedom for airing.

**Correspondence Courses**  
Men who desire to continue their education while still in service have unequalled opportunities to receive high school, diplomas and college subject credits through taking correspondence courses and General Educational Development Tests of high school and college levels.

Men contemplating entering college can save valuable time and effort through availing themselves of the guidance facilities offered by the I. & E. staff. They can learn what credits will be allowed for Army service, requirements of colleges in designated localities, tuition and related expenses, outline of the curriculum, veterans aid, housing facilities, etc. It is far easier also to arrange to receive credit for in-service training NOW while all service records are handy.

The Vocational Guidance Series, more familiarly known as

## 1290th Engineer Combat Battalion On Tour Today

First Army's 1290th Engineer Combat Battalion stationed at Fort Benning will make a demonstration tour of communities nearby Columbus on April 4 in connection with Army Day activities. Brig. Gen. James R. N. Weaver, commanding general, Fourth Headquarters, First Army, announced today.

During the stops the public will be invited to inspect the items of equipment normally carried by an engineer combat battalion, which will be displayed in the towns listed below according to the following time schedule:

Buena Vista, 0800 to 0830; Elaville, 0900 to 0930; Oglethorpe, 1000 to 1030; Montezuma, 1035 to 1100; Perry, 1200 to 1215; Fort Valley, 1345 to 1430; Dalton, 1630 to 1700.

The 1290th Combat Engineer Battalion which saw service in the European Theater, is commanded by Lt. Col. Sidney Martin.

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I and E display panels are maintained in the detachment library, ITD 1, in the day-room of the 1st ITC for ITD 2, and each Motor Pool day-room. In addition, news and educational announcements are regularly compiled for posting on individual company bulletin boards to insure full coverage.

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# 15,000 Reenlistees Report to RC

## Veterans Processed For 'Second Helping'

BY SGT. W. A. HAGINS

Hi! Man, what're you doing with that "soldier suit" on again? You didn't tell me you were going to re-enlist. How many did you take? Three? Man! Three!

That's the typical expression heard at the Fort Benning Reception Center both day and night among the servicemen still reporting here from re-enlistment furloughs.

Records reveal that approximately 15,000 men have reported to the Reception Center to join the Regular Army, Lt. Col. Wm. C. Toppins, Commanding Officer of the Reception Center, points out. Throughout the area are numerous soldiers ranging in rank from first sergeants down to privates as well as civilians spotted here and there wearing the "yellow duck" (discharge emblem). A variety of campaign ribbons and battle stars, is worn by a large number of these soldiers.

Many former students of the now-inactivated Special Training Unit here are among the group too. The training received in the former STU has inspired many of the students to take a second helping of army life. Quite a few of

the re-enlistees are old timers, with 20-odd years of service.

At one time, it was amazing to see an army of rank and hash marks. A few of the old timers would group off to themselves—undoubtedly they were comparing the past World War with that of the first World War. Now and then a soldier of lesser rank could be seen counting the hash marks on the sleeves of the old timers to make sure his eyes hadn't failed him. Meal times and theater attendance remind one of the past when induction at the Reception Center was at its peak—every nook and corner crowded to capacity.

During the peak of re-enlistment, all departments in the Reception Center were kept busily engaged in processing these men. Some of them worked at night to keep the re-enlistees moving out to other camps. All through the day and night men were and are coming to the Reception Center in taxi cabs and buses. Despite the fact re-enlistment has slowed up a little, some departments still work at night to avoid an accumulation of work.

The re-enlistees are housed in the Casual Detachment which occupies former areas of Companies "A," "B" and "C." At one time

there were so many soldiers waiting to be processed, they had to occupy the area with inducements commonly called "jody town." The men of the Regular Army are housed in G.I. barracks and huts and are provided with day rooms equipped with pool tables, table tennis sets, checker boards, a radio, and a variety of magazines and other reading materials. Major R. P. Langley is Commanding Officer of the Casual Detachment.

He is assisted by Major Edgar C. Davis, adjutant, and a staff of officers and enlisted personnel.

### Ex-STU Men Help Out

Low point personnel of the former Special Training Unit was brought to the Reception Center, after its inactivation, to relieve those eligible for discharge here so that there would be no lag in processing men of the Regular Army. This personnel had been

previously engaged in teaching the rudiments of arithmetic, reading, and writing to educationally handicapped soldiers as well as administration and military procedures related to the Army Educational Program.

The STU personnel was assigned to Regimental Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Personnel, Classification, Records, and Mess Sections, the Checking Station. (Continued on Page 21)

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# Crackers Invade Post Monday



**AIRBORNE TROOPERS BASEBALL SQUAD**—Pictured above are Capt. Hugh J. Hendrickson, Head Baseball Coach, The Airborne School, and 1946's edition of TABS diamond talent just before taking to the field for a daily practice session. (Left to right), front row: Skipp Hendrickson, Raymond Colthrop, catcher; Fred Wood, 2b; Russell Chapman, pitcher; James Walker, 3b; Ernest Bua, ss; Furstberg, infield. Second row: Limus Dwyer, 2b; Nicholas Fulkright, pitcher; Jim Chastang, rf; Sandor, cf; Harold Barnett, 1b; Douglas Jey, lf. Third row: Oscar Ostrum, pitcher; Harry Martin, 3b; Noburn Mabama, catcher; Joe Jordan, 1b; Albert Robinson, 32.—(Airborne School Photo).

## Eight Teams Compete In TABS Loop Today

Intra-Airborne athletic teams will resume play this afternoon at 4 o'clock on several unit fields with eight company and battalion squads battling for Airborne League honors in eight different sports.

Sloppy weather conditions last week played havoc with Airborne athletic fields and resulted in a postponement of regular scheduled games until a later date.

Six company teams—Headquarters, "F" Service, "G", First Battalion and "H" in Lead.

Loop standings released by Welfare and Recreation through March 26 show Headquarters and "F" companies' strong softball teams leading the field, with Service company in second spot. Three teams have yet to face league competition. Outstanding game in early season play was Headquarters' convincing 9-3 victory over a scrappy Service outfit last week.

Service Company's ping-pong crew got off to a flying start in intramural play by trouncing Headquarters and First Battalion squads all in one week. Only two games have been played in the battalion baseball and badminton league, with the Second battalion holding a victory over First Bat-

talion badminton and baseball squads.

Unit teams are rapidly shaping into more seasoned forms after a belated spring opening due to weather conditions. In order to field more formidable athletic squads, most unit coaches were forced to play all men available in early season games. With team playing rosters broken down to a minimum, and weather permitting, this week's loop play will run according to schedule.

**INTRAMURAL GAMES**  
COMPANY COMPETITION  
VOLLEY BALL—HORSESHOE-FOOT  
April 4—Sert. Co. vs. F Co.; 1st Bn. vs. G Co.; H Co. vs. Inf. Co.  
April 5—F Co. vs. H Co.; H Co. vs. FA Btry.; Sert. Co. vs. Inf. Co.  
SOFTBALL AND PING PONG  
April 4—Sert. Co. vs. G Co.; 1st Bn. vs. FA Btry.; 1st Bn. vs. H Co.; Sert. Co. vs. F Co.; G Co. vs. Sert. Co.  
**BATTALION COMPETITION**  
BASEBALL AND BADMINTON  
April 4—2nd Bn. vs. 3rd Bn.  
April 5—1st Bn. vs. 2nd Bn.  
**TENNIS**  
April 4—1st Bn. vs. 2nd Bn.  
April 5—3rd Bn. vs. 1st Bn.  
**EXTRA-AIRBORNE STANDINGS**  
(Through 26 March)

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
H Co.	1	0	1.000
Sert. Co.	1	0	.667
1st Bn.	0	1	.000
2nd Bn.	0	1	.000
3rd Bn.	0	1	.000
Inf. Co.	0	1	.000
FA Btry.	0	1	.000
BASEBALL			
Team	W.	L.	Pct.
2nd Bn.	0	1	.000
1st Bn.	0	1	.000
3rd Bn.	0	1	.000
PING PONG			
Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Sert. Co.	2	0	1.000
H Co.	1	0	.667
1st Bn.	0	1	.000
BADMINTON			
Team	W.	L.	Pct.
2nd Bn.	1	0	1.000
1st Bn.	0	1	.000
3rd Bn.	0	1	.000

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### 1290th Engineers Seek Baseball Opponents

Lieutenant Bannister of the 1290th Engineer (C) Battalion announced that with the opening of the baseball season the 1290th Engineers will form a team with an open schedule. Anyone wishing to schedule a game may reach Lieutenant Bannister at F. B. 6346.

## Vols Defeat TIS Nine, 12-3

By SGT. CHUCK LEWIS

MACON, March 31—The Infantry School baseball team lost its first game of the season here Sunday afternoon to the Nashville Vols 9 team, 12-3.

Dewey Wilkins, southpaw TIS pitcher, was touched for five straight hits in the second inning which gave the Vols a three-run lead. One of these hits was a double by Dunlap who later in the fourth inning again cracked one down the right field line for two bases.

### More Trouble

Wilkins again got into trouble in the fourth inning and allowed three hits and four scores when Manager Carl Reischling called Clem Labine from the bullpen to relieve the portlander. Labine allowed one hit before he could retire the side.

In the sixth inning Al Tiedemann was hit by a pitched ball, GJ Gekowski worked a base on balls and George Bender lined one through the infield to score the first run for TIS.

### Third Straight Hit

Lefty Lehner collected his third hit of the ball game in the eighth and Tiedemann hit safely to put two men on base. Bill Johnson then stepped to the plate and hit a two-bagger deep into left field to score the two runners.

The Vols with the help of two walks and three hits gathered four more runs in the eighth to bring their total to 12.

The Continental Congress tried to raise money by a lottery in 1777.

## TIS Will Face Nashville Vols Nine Today At 4

The Infantry School baseball team will start off its schedule with a bang this week, playing five games in six days.

Headlining the attack will be the Atlanta Crackers who will invade Gowdy field Monday and Tuesday night with the games getting under way at 7:30 p. m.

The Nashville Vols will come to Fort Benning Thursday (today) to return the game played in Macon last week. The Vols will bring their first string to Gowdy field for today's game at 4 p. m.

Friday night at 7:30 p. m. Anniston, a Class B ball club of the Southeastern league will be at Gowdy field to test the TIS team.

Saturday the TIS' team will journey to Auburn to play the Alabama Polytechnic team. Sunday the team will rest for their two-day home stand with the Crackers.

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## Infantry School Nine Troupes Royals, 10 to 1

**BY SGT. CHUCK LEWIS**  
 Train took over in the last half of the sixth inning but the Infantry School-baseball team was on the long end of a 10-1 score and annexed its third win of the season last Wednesday afternoon at Gowdy Field against the U. S. Royals of Hogansville.

The TIS team collected its first inning when Bill Andrus, the lead-off man, drew a walk and Lefty Lehner sacrificed him to second. Bill Johnson then hit one on the ground which the infield bobbled and Andrus scored.

McCallahan in control the Hogansville pitcher seemed to have things well under control until the last of the third when with two out, scoring with four runs crossing he walked Al Tiedemann and the plate.

then the catcher, Dow, let Johnson's third strike get by him.

Singles by Gil Gekoski and George Bender meant two runs and a new pitcher for Hogansville. Horace Denny came in from first to do the hurling and was touched by singles by John Mascavage, Dick Bearn and Ernie Lloyd which netted three more runs for the TIS team. Andrus drew a walk and Lehner lined to Childers on third to retire the side after 11 men had batted.

**Royals Score in Fourth**

Ernie Lloyd, the winning pitcher, making his first start for the TIS team, gave up three straight singles in the fourth on hits by Webb, Stone and M. Denny which gave the Royals their only score of the game.

M. Denny took the mound for Hogansville in the fourth inning and again with two out, Tiedemann on first, Bender banged one off the score board in left field for a double, scoring Tiedemann.

Mascavage and Bearn followed with singles and another, passed with one out, scored Mascavage to end the third when with two out, scoring with four runs crossing he walked Al Tiedemann and the plate.

### TIS-ROYALS

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<b>HOGANSVILLE</b>						
Childers, 3b	3	0	0	0	0	0
Denny, 1b	3	0	0	0	0	0
Webb, cf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Stone, 2b	3	0	0	0	0	0
M. Denny, 3b	3	0	0	0	0	0
J. Denny, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Dow, c	3	0	0	0	0	0
McCallahan, p-1b	3	0	0	0	0	0
Tota	24	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TIS</b>						
Andrus, 2b	4	1	1	0	0	0
Lehner, 1b	3	0	0	0	0	0
Tiedemann, 3b	3	0	0	0	0	0
Johnson, 2b	3	0	0	0	0	0
Gekoski, c	3	0	0	0	0	0
Bender, f	3	0	0	0	0	0
Mascavage, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Hearn, lf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Lloyd, p	3	0	0	0	0	0
Colone, 2b	3	0	0	0	0	0
Shivers, c	3	0	0	0	0	0
Parrell, 3b	3	0	0	0	0	0
Tota	26	10	9	18	12	0

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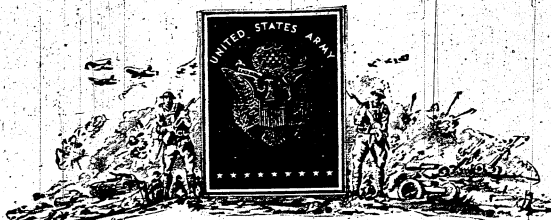
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**Started By MacArthur's Dad**  
Origin of the present library can be traced back to 1907 when General Arthur MacArthur, father of General of the Army Douglas MacArthur, made a gift of 20 books to start a library at the School of Musketry, located at the Presidio of Monterey, Calif. When in 1913, the School was amalgamated with the National School of Musketry at Fort Sill, Okla., the books went along. Then in 1919, the collection, grown to 1,725 books, was transferred along with the School of Small Arms to what is now Fort Benning and located in a two-story wood frame building in the vicinity of the parade ground. Officers on duty with troops, as well as instructors, came to the library to use the texts throughout the year.

In April 1920, the War Department issued a special regulation directing that the library be maintained separately from the post library, but would be under the direction of the post librarian. It also specified that a member of the Department of Research would be school librarian and would be charged with the administration and interior economy of the school library. At that time there were approximately 3,000 books with a value of \$40,000. For the most part these were technical books, both military and commercial.

September of 1928 found the library of The Infantry School in new quarters; the one-story brick building which is now the present post finance office.

**Marshall Takes Over**  
The structure had been erected as the office of the Quartermaster of the school. In December of that year, Lt. Col. George Marshall, later to become Chief of Staff, took over as Assistant Commandant of the school.

General Marshall became very much interested in the library and guiding genius that he is, launched a program of expansion to secure adequate literature for the needs of the student research on the then current military history course, the traditional officer Monographs. In this undertaking he was ably assisted by Capt. H. F. Perrine and Maj. Truman Smith. Reading space had been limited and shelves crowded in the old library, but the new structure afforded ample room for shelves and practically all of one wing was designated as a reading room with desks for writing provided.

Oldtimers at Benning will probably recall that at the time Miss Chappell was assistant librarian, Capt. W. A. Collier was librarian; M-Sgt. W. J. Stewart was Chief Clerk and Sgt. Frank Crosby was assistant clerk.

The Infantry School cavalcade went on as usual through the boom in 1929, when the library acquired a copy of the "World War I literary masterpiece" "All Quiet on the Western Front" by Erich Maria Remarque. At this time the collection of books, maps and periodicals was steadily growing and taking on more significance.

In June 1933, The Infantry School Headquarters building was completed and the library moved into its present location. When World War II broke out book ac-

quisition took a sharp curve downward due to paper shortages, but the acquisition of reports increased greatly as the war progressed in Europe and the Pacific.

**Rare Mementoes**  
Probably the most interesting thing about The Infantry School library is its collection of rare mementoes which are kept under lock and key. Here the visitor may look at fading signatures in books whose pages have mellowed and grown delicate with age. He will find in this group some of the most beautiful specimens of printing ever assembled, produced by men who treasured books and handled them like precious gems. Unusual bindings are the rule rather than the exception: reptile, leather, corduroy, to mention but a few.

One gets a kick out of books with Old English titles like "Apogonism, civil and military, dedicated to the high and mighty Charles, Prince of Great Britannie," which was printed in England in 1629. An odd treatise is the "History of adventure and suffering of Moses Smith," which relates the "deceitful manner" in which I was engaged to guard the mail from Washington to New Orleans. Smith tells how he was thrown into a dungeon, tried and convicted of rebellion and murder and sentenced to hanging, beheading and gibbeting.

**Civil War Photographs**  
Two volumes of photographs preserve a record of the war between the States for posterity. Very interesting is a volume entitled "White House gallery of Official Presidential Portraits from Washington to McKinley," printed in 1906.

Almost any book the visitor sees should challenge the interest, ranging from complete collections of Encyclopaedia Britannica, New Almanac, The Americana, Catholic Encyclopaedia, New Larousse, History, and Who's Who, to a typed copy of The Infantry School History by L. W. Yarborough—of which there are only three copies in existence. Nearby you will find Don Quixote, Cervantes' famed travesty on human behavior, translated from the Spanish.

**Annual Reports**  
Some will want to delve into annual reports by the Secretary of War, Chief of Engineers, Chief of Ordnance. Complete sets are available.

Excellent as a source for orientation lecture material is the collection of back issues of Life, Time, Fortune, The Bulletin of International Affairs.

The library visitor may be surprised to discover a copy of the ABC of Reading by Ezra Pound, the poet and author who was recently accused of treason and adjudged mentally unbalanced.

Five full cabinets house maps of all kinds; newsmans, typographical maps, World War I and II maps, maps of every kind and description.

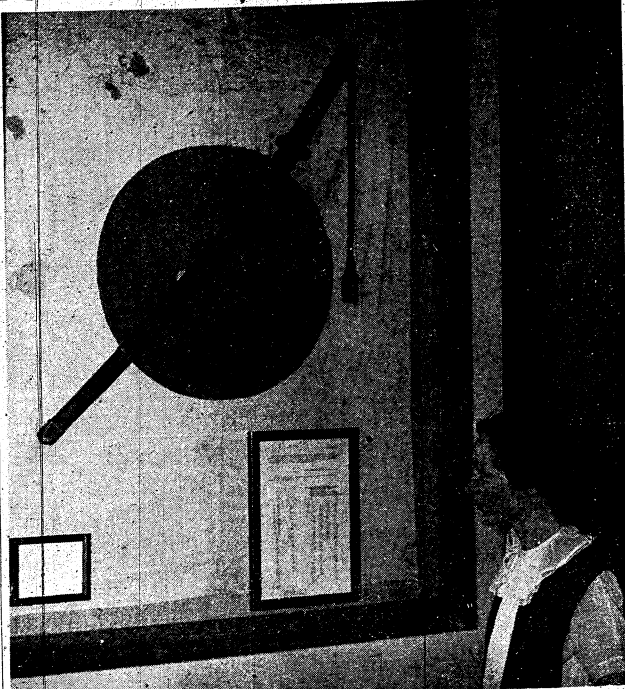
**Foreign Periodicals**  
In this storehouse of literary treasure there are foreign as well as American military periodicals of all sizes and shapes and it is interesting to see how the format has evolved through the years on certain publications such as The Infantry Journal. These are bound at the Reproduction Plant for easy reference.

Periodical devotees will find in The Infantry School library copies of periodicals from Brazil and Britain, France, Germany, Japan, Belgium, China, Russia. Then there is the "Mailing List," an Infantry School publication which is a sort of book-of-the-month on Infantry ideas. The library has a complete collection from the very first issue.

**Division Histories**

Let's say a hot friendly argument arises over whose outfit fought the most battles, had the most decorations, etc. The answers can be found in the library's extensive collection of official histories of various divisions. Annals are well represented on the shelves. West Point's "Howitzer" should recall many memories for some. The "Boyette" Infantry School annual, is on hand from 1920 to 1939 issues.

On the right side—the librarians find that Emily Post's "Etiquette" is very much in demand by every-



**JAP TROPHIES**—Miss Ruth Wesley, assistant librarian, pauses before the Jap flag, commander's sword, and surrender document executed by a Jap unit which surrendered Aug. 22, 1945, near Okinawa to the Commanding Officer of the 24th Infantry Regiment. The 24th was stationed at Ft. Benning for almost 25 years, prior to leaving for the Pacific area in March, 1942.—(Official U. S. Army Photo—The Infantry School).



**THE INFANTRY SCHOOL LIBRARY** is a rich source of supply of background material for the Information and Education section. Miss Eunice Blanks, of the library staff, points to a picture in a pre-Jap war book, printed in China, about the Chinese Army. Lt. Dean Phillips, TIS Information and Education officer, shown at left, is a constant user of the library in preparation of his weekly lectures.—(Official U. S. Army Photo—The Infantry School).

one from privates to colonels. A noteworthy collection of Americans is the "American Archives"—a set of volumes published, prepared and printed under act of Congress, March 1946.

Even the English classics are well represented. A shelf is given over to works of Shakespeare, Thackeray, Tennyson, Holmes, Washington Irving, Whittier, Emerson.

**Quotations Well-Thumbed**

Bartlett's Quotations and others of a like nature have been thumbed through so often the pages could be used as fingerprint specimen sheets. On the technical side, there are books on chemistry, electricity, physics, mathematics, geology, bacteriology.

In the cultural field, art is well represented with works showing Chinese and Japanese techniques, medieval military architecture, "lives and works of Michelangelo," "Furniture of Our Forefathers," "Mt. Rushmore National Memorial" photos of the work of Gutson Borglum.

Here the visitor also will find songs to which the soldier has rallied in every war in our history: "Paderewski, the Story of a Modern Immortal," "Stephen Foster, America's Troubadour," and the Army and Navy Hymnal.

He might bump into such books on economics as H. G. Wells' "Wealth, Work and Happiness of Mankind," and Adam Smith's "Wealth of Nations." Business books include advertisements, accounting, banking, money.

**Stamp Dictionary**

Although "Forever Amber" is nowhere in evidence, at least stamp collectors will find solace in a platonic dictionary for their convenience.

Twenty-one volumes give the official German account of the so-Japanese war. Books on China exist in great number. Napoleon is well represented as is the story of the French revolution. A set of volumes about Russia throws light on the present enigma of the Soviet, giving historical facts which tell of the political evolution.

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## Library Is GHQ For Researchers

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tion and conduct of the people during previous wars and peace. Three full cabinets contain a collection of dissertations on the Civil War between the States. Three volumes tell the military history of U. S. Grant. Woodrow Wilson's life and letters is the subject of eight volumes.

### Foreign Dictionaries

Perhaps the scholar is interested in dictionaries. He will find them in English, German, Russian, Japanese, Polish, Chinese, Portuguese, Latin, Italian—even a set of Oxford Dictionaries and a "Century" dictionary bound in corduroy that stands 1 1/2 ft. high.

Then there is a handbook of American Indian languages; books on public speaking, books on radio, books about the screen and theater, books dealing with the ins and outs of newspaper business.

Newcomers to the school, particularly OCS, will find very interesting the collection of 77 monographs written by students in 1922 to 1943 and based on personal experiences in World War I.

### Medal Exhibition

The lobby of the library is an interesting place. Not only does it provide a sanctuary for those who want to relax and bone up on current affairs, but it is enlivened by exhibitions of military medals and division insignia and boasts two valuable original paintings. The Infantryman, a gift from the Sperry Corporation, and a "fine" cover portrait of General Omar Bradley in battle dress given to the school by the publishers of "Time."

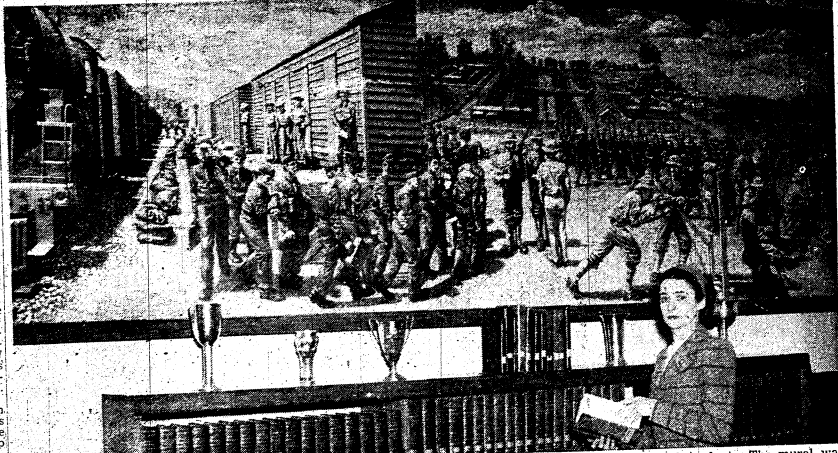
No story of the library would be complete without tribute to the efficient, pleasant staff which makes it a living thing.

There is Miss Ruth Wesley, an assistant librarian, a graduate of Randolph-Macon college, and also a holder of a library degree from Emory University, Atlanta, Ga. She is in charge of acquisition of books, cataloging, classification. Miss Wesley began work at The Infantry School in 1935.

### Columbia Graduate

Miss Sara Lamon, who is in charge of reference and circulation, came to TIS in 1943 after serving as assistant librarian at Mary Washington College, Fredericksburg, Va. Miss Lamon is a graduate of Wesleyan College, Macon, Ga., and also of Columbia University Library School.

Last but definitely not least is Miss Eunice Blanks, who perhaps more than any other of the present civilian staff, has seen and been of service to the military leaders who have come to the Infantry School library to dip



**INFANTRY MURAL**—Miss Sara Lamon, who is in charge of reference and circulation at the TIS library, stands before one of the three sections of the Infantry training mural, painted during the summer of 1943 at Ft. McClellan, Ala., by P. William V. Caldwell.

well, Yale University Fine Arts school graduate. The mural was brought here from a Washington, D. C. exhibit in 1944, by Col. Harold E. Potter, former executive officer of the school.—(Official U. S. Army Photo—The Infantry School).

into its inexhaustible well of knowledge at one time or another during the last ten years. She attended Georgia State College for Women, as well as Peabody College for Teachers at Nashville, Tenn. Prior to coming to TIS in 1927, Miss Blanks taught school in Georgia and Florida. Miss Blanks is now in charge of reference, filing, and cataloging.

Lt. Robert Lehman, who is the "carding officer," reviews all of the incoming latest reports, making notes of interesting pertinent actions. These brief notes are then incorporated in a supplement to the Subject Reference Index of Reports of Theaters of Operations.

### Enlisted Assistant

Pfc. Eldon L. Holoubek, the enlisted assistant librarian, is in charge of supplies, communications, physical plant, and upon occasion assists in research activities.

The library's future plans, according to Colonel Knight, official librarian and Director of Tactical Modernization, call for steady growth, sticking to the fundamental

principles of keying the needs of new volumes to the knowledge of instructors. Every effort will be made to supplement the present total of 26,000 books with the very best produced in the future on tactics, weapons, organization and history, concerning the military, and particularly, the infantry.

## Colonel Ladd, ETO Veteran, Rejoins AGF Bd.

Col. Jesse A. Ladd, West Point graduate of the class of 1911, recently rejoined the Army Ground Forces Board No. 3 as a board member. He was a member of the old "Infantry Board" from 1932 to 1935.

Col. Ladd has had a long and distinguished career in the Army, in which he attained the temporary war time rank of Brigadier General.

Upon graduation from West Point he was assigned to the 1st Infantry with which he served until 1915. From 1916 to 1917 he was a member of the 24th Infantry. The period 1918 to 1920 found him Inspector General of the 4th Division. A tour of duty as a student and then an instructor in the field officers course at Fort Benning from 1920 to 1922 then followed. From here Col. Ladd returned to West Point as a tactical officer until 1925. 1926 saw him as a student in the famous Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth.

### At TIS in 1926

He was again assigned to The Infantry School as an instructor from 1926 to 1930. In 1931 he went to Fort Meade, where he graduated from the tank school, and then back to Fort Benning as a member of the then Infantry Board until 1933.

Tours of duty with the 30th Infantry, 4th Army Staff, War College, 2nd Infantry and 15th Infantry followed until 1942 at which time having been elevated to the rank of Brigadier General in August of 1941 he was given command of "Fort Richardson, Alaska and then Fort Glenn, Alaska. Col. Ladd returned to the United States in 1944 and was given command of the Replacement Depot at Fort Reynolds, Pa.

### CO of 8th Division

Overseas again, this time to Europe as commanding general of the Normandy base section in 1944. From May 1945 to Feb. 1946 he was in command of the famed 9th Infantry Division. Upon return to the States in February, he was assigned as a board member to A. G. F. Board No. 3 in March of this year.

Col. Ladd is married to the former Miss Florence Von Kanel of Bowling Green, Ohio which is also his own home town. They have two sons, one Jonathan F., a 1st lieutenant in the 1st Infantry, and one James V. L., a West Point cadet who graduates this year. Col. and Mrs. Ladd now reside at 601 Wickersham Ave., Fort Benning.



**"MOST IMPORTANT TYPE BOOK"**—Col. Andrew T. Knight, Infantry School librarian since February, 1945, holds what he considers the most important type book among the 26,000 volumes in the library. It's a copy of the Subject Reference Index of Reports of Theaters of Operations—one of many prepared by the TIS Library to provide the researcher quick reference on up-to-the-minute military subjects.—(Official U. S. Army Photo—The Infantry School).

## 117 Earn Bars In OC Class 536

Lt. Frank D. Proctor was honor graduate of the Infantry Candidate Class No. 536, Third STR, The Infantry School, which commissioned 117 men as second lieutenants in Army of the United States Army at graduation ceremonies last Thursday. Lt. Proctor is son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Proctor, Caldwell, Texas. He was stationed at Fort Knox, Ky., prior to entering Officer Candidate School. He entered the service June 1, 1945 at Ft. Sam Houston, Texas.

Maj. Gen. John W. O'Daniel, commandant of The Infantry School, was principal speaker on the program and presented the new officers with letters of commission and certificates of graduation. Lt. Druce Henderson, whose monogram on leadership was chosen as the best in the class, was class speaker.

One of the graduates, Lt. Marvin Rogers, of 12th Company, received the Army Commendation Ribbon at a ceremony held on Stroup Field Wednesday, March 27. Presentation was made by Col. James F. Strain, regimental com-

mander. Lieutenant Rogers received this award for plans he submitted to Army Ground Forces for the modification of the Browning Machine Gun, Caliber 50 HB, M-2.

Members of the 12th Company received a letter of commendation from General O'Daniel for their outstanding performance in one of the school's most complex tactical problems, "The Reduction of a Fortified Position."

## Infantry School Recruits 2,041

The recruiting drive in progress at The Infantry School has netted a total of 2,041 enlistments and re-enlistments in the Regular Army, according to a report of recruiting drive headquarters Monday.

School Troops leads with 654 and Academic Regiment if run-nerup with 554. Other units of The Infantry School include 1st STR, 369, 3d STR, 347 and OCHU, 117.



**BOOKS WELL CARED FOR**—Pfc. Eldon L. Holoubek, enlisted assistant librarian, gives the outside cover of a new book a coat of lacquer to preserve the volume against weather and wear.—(Official U. S. Army Photo—The Infantry School).



ROBIN HOOD AND HIS GYPSY PARTNER were the winners of the "Most Unique Costume" contest at the Airborne School costume ball held Saturday night in the "A" Stage gym. "Robin Hood" is Pvt. James Stewart of TABS, and the "gypsy" is Miss Emily Willis of LaGrange. (Airborne School Photo).

Every part of the world contributes coloring materials for the dyes in America's bathrooms. Cobalt for blue is obtained from Norway, Sweden, Finland, and Canada; manganese for black comes from Brazil, Russia and India; chrome for pink, green and maroon is imported from Rhodesia, New Caledonia, Greece and Russia. Smithfield hams are made from peanut-fed hogs.

## Colorful Costumes Mark Airborne School Ball

The Airborne School costume ball, held at the "A" Gym Friday evening, March 29, scintillated with a phantasy of colorful costumes. Robin Hood, a Spanish senorita, a drum majorette, and the inevitable female impersonator, appeared among the approximately 350 gaily costumed dancers.

The Airborne School A Gym was decorated in the traditional manner of past troop social functions with suspended and draped equipment parachutes of many colors and subdued varicolored lights.

Gay-costumed Georgia beauties in care of Miss Mary Freeman arrived from LaGrange by bus to join the costume party. Supplementing the LaGrange girls as dancing partners were several representatives from the Airborne WAC Det., and sweethearts and wives of the EM.

Refreshments were served during the intermission of music by the 26th A. G. F. Band led by Pfc. Liday.

Judges of the several contests during the evening were hard pressed reaching their decisions because of keen competition. Finally the perplexed Solomons,

Judges 1st Sgt. Runk—WAC Det., 1st Sgt. Echols—Hq. Co., 1st Sgt. Bright—Co. I, 1st Sgt. Fayswick—Co. B, and Sgt. Spivey of Schl. Trps. Bn., made the following decisions:

**JITTERBUG CONTEST**—won by Miss Virginia Moore and Sgt. James Scoggin. Miss Mary Freeman and Pvt. Robert Morton, second choice with Miss La Verne Byard and Pfc. James DeLao as runners up.

**BEST WALTZERS**: won by Miss Ann Webster and Pvt. Robert

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Morton (quite a lad) 2nd choice—Miss Doris Richardson and Pvt. John Pappas.

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WINNER OF FIRST PRIZE for adults in the Fort Benning P-T. A. Hobby Show is Capt. Frank Lillyman (left) whose \$3000 coin collection forms a background for Mrs. Brookner W. Brady, President of the P-T. A. Brig. Gen. Elmer F. Weber, one of the judges, and Mrs. Frank C. Sinsel, who assisted in arrangements for the show, held Thursday at the Children's School Auditorium.

## Post P-T. A. Hobby Show Attracts Large Audience

An overwhelming success was the Parent-Teacher Association Hobby Show held Thursday night at the Children's School Auditorium with a large attendance of both children and adults.

Tables were ranged around the room with exhibits in ten different classifications attractively displayed. Covering one wall in a colorful black, red and white background were Nazi and Japanese flags in front of which stood the war souvenir table with helmets, uniforms and a variety of weapons.

On the stage was the flower exhibit with spring blossoms of every kind arranged in vases and other floral patterns.

Coin and patch collections attracted much interest, as did the doll display with dolls of all kinds, antique, miniature and old favorites.

Winner of first prize for children was Charles Carlson, seventh grade, whose stamp collection caused much comment. Capt. Frank Lillyman won first for adults with his coin collection, the estimated value of which is \$3,000.

Third place went to F. S. Frances Hale, who displayed a handmade blanket constructed of insignia patches. Brig. Gen. Elmer F. Wal-lender was judge for the grand prizes.

In the war trophy section, judged by Col. Bernard Byrne, first place went to Roxanne Brown for a German dagger collection, second to Lt. Cordova and third to Gus and Charles Harrell.

The flower exhibit was judged by Mrs. A. H. Dickerson and Mrs. H. Dill McHugh and Mrs. Joseph Lawrie with first place going to Ernest Remick, second to Mrs.

Brookner Brady and third to Barbara Brown.

Photography, judged by Col. Wiley H. O'Mohundro, was won by Lt. Col. Joseph Lawrie, first; Mrs. Nelson I. Fooks, second.

First in Art Handicraft, judged by Lt. Col. and Mrs. Ernest J. Knott, went to Teddy Markland, second to Bobby Jones and first for adults to Mrs. Carlson.

In sports equipment, judged by Col. Samuel E. Gee, first and second place went to Col. N. I. Fooks and third to Lt. Col. Frederick B. Weber.

In the doll exhibit first place went to the Brownie troop, each member of whom had made a doll for the display in the show. Second place went to Ann Allen and third to Marie Scott.

In another handicraft exhibit, also judged by Col. and Mrs. Knott, first place was won by Lynn Lawrie, second by Col. Brookner W. Brady and third by Barbara Feine.

Refreshments were served in the cooking room by girls of the 5th, 6th and 7th grades.

## Service Club No. 1

Main Post  
THURSDAY, April 4—  
Open House.

FRIDAY, April 5—  
7:30—Chess Club Tournament.

Prizes.  
8:30—A dance has been tentatively scheduled with details to be announced later.

SATURDAY, April 6—  
8:00—Army Day Bingo Game.

Prizes.  
SUNDAY, April 7—  
1:00-4:00—26th AGF Band Program.

8:00—Feature movie: Do you see "Captain Fury" with us last Sunday?

MONDAY, April 8—  
7:30—Bridge Club Meeting.

Prizes.  
8:00—Marzo, the great escape artist, will perform.

TUESDAY, April 9—  
8:00—King Cole, muted musician.

WEDNESDAY, April 10—  
8:00—Musical Quiz. Prizes.  
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## Airborne Officers to Hold Gala Costume Ball Saturday

A costume ball for officers of select and award prizes to costume winners.  
The Airborne School will be held Saturday night beginning 9 o'clock in the "B" Stage gymnasium, Lt. Col. Paul P. Smith, officer club president, has announced.

Festivities will include awarding of costume prizes at 10:30 o'clock.  
The costume ball and festivities, which will officially close the Winter Social Season for the Airborne Officers Club, promise one of the year's most entertaining nights to officers and their guests.

Mrs. Roy Lindquist, acting as chairman of a selected judging committee made up of Mrs. Gordon Smith, Mrs. John Cudmore, Mrs. Erle Reed and Major General Geny Chapman as recorder, will

Prizes will be awarded to the lady with the most original costume, officer, with the most original costume, lady with the most humorous costume, officer with the most humorous costume and couple with the most original costume.

In addition to the costume contest, free food, drinks and music will be furnished. The night's entertainment will end at 1 o'clock.

Do not hang glass or china cups by their handles. They may chip or crack and finally break off.

A strip of cloth or tape sewed just inside the edge takes the brunt of wear off trouser cuffs.

## Service Club No. 3

Harmony Church

THURSDAY, April 4—

8:30—Bingo, Prizes.

9:30—Spanish lessons on records. A rule has been made that those attending lessons may converse only in Spanish in order to decrease time needed to learn the language.

FRIDAY, April 5—

8:30—Cabaret party. Details to be announced later. Party is being planned with the assistance of Miss Andrews from the 11th St. USO.

SATURDAY, April 6—

8:30—Dancing lessons taught by Mrs. Fete, Potato roast after the dancing.

SUNDAY, April 7—

3:00-5:00—Soldiers chorus from the 8th Co. 3rd SFB, under the direction of Lt. Robert M. Barr.

7:00-9:00—Record concert featuring the music of George Gershwin.

MONDAY, April 8—

8:30—Feature movie.

TUESDAY, April 9—

8:30—Quiz program with personal interviews by MC Cpl. Herbert Dozier. Cigarettes for prizes.

WEDNESDAY, April 10—

8:30—Dancing class taught by Mrs. Fete.

Mrs. Fete has announced that large crowds of soldiers are again spending their evenings at the Harmony Church Service Club to enjoy the variety of programs presented. The Gertrude Handley show went over with such a bang last Thursday that arrangements are being made to book this show as a regular feature at the club.

Rayon stockings last longer if they are washed before being worn for the first time.

## A HEARTY SALUTE ON THIS ARMY DAY, APRIL 6, '46

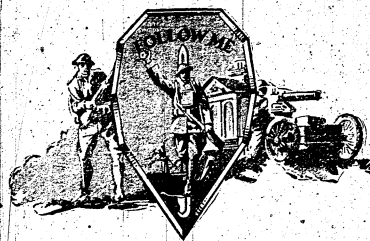
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## TABS Officers Softball League Opens Season

The Airborne School Officers' Softball League opened Tuesday evening with two scheduled games; one between the officers of Headquarters and the Director of Training Office versus officers of TABS Regiment, and the other between officers of School Troops Battalion and Specialist Training Division versus officers from Air Landing Training Division.

There are five teams in the league. All games will be played on the baseball diamond across from the Polo Field on the Main Post Tuesday and Thursday evenings for the duration of the softball season. Games start at 5:15.

The league was planned by Maj. Gen. Gerry Chapman, commandant of TABS, to "foster good fellowship among the officers assigned to the Airborne School, to increase (the individual officer's) circle of acquaintances, to maintain physical well-being," and to "provide social recreation for officers, ladies, and children." Equipment and publicity for the games will be furnished by the Welfare and Recreation Officer of TABS.

### Five Teams Compete

The five teams participating are the "Old folks" comprised of officers from Hq. and Director of Training Office; the "Field Soldiers" officers from TABS Regiment less the School Troops Battalion; the "Prima Donnas," from the School Troops Battalion and Specialist Training Division; the "Gliders," from Air Landing Training Division; and the "Kids" from the Parachute Training and Advanced Training Divisions.

The league is divided into two halves, with the winner receiving a suitable award. Refreshments will be sold at the games.

A camel has twice the carrying power of an ox.

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GEN. CHAPMAN DECORATES WACS—Maj. Gen. Gerry Chapman, Commandant of the Airborne School, presents Mstr. Sgt. Kathryn M. Sherry and 1st Sgt. Beatrice R. Rank with the Army Commendation Ribbons for outstanding service in the performance of their duties at TABS, as part of the ceremonies in a parade Saturday, March 23.

## TABS To Play Miami 2-Game Diamond Series

The Airborne School baseball team will play the University of Miami, Florida nine a two-game, home-and-home series with the first game scheduled for Gowdy Field, Fort Benning, April 11 at 2 o'clock. Coach Hugh J. Hendrickson, TABS head coach, announced this week.

Plans are under way to play other off-post teams, service and civilian, before meeting the University of Miami. Another two game series has been booked with Cobbstown, Georgia, the first game to be played in the Georgia town at 2 o'clock, May 5. The Cobbstown nine will come to Fort Benning for a return engagement at a later date.

The Airborne School squad will draw new uniforms sometime next week. A definite game schedule will be announced as soon as arrangements have been made with other outside teams and school officials, Coach Hendrickson said.

## All Enlisted Men In U. S. Will Get OD Field Jackets

All enlisted men in the United States who will be in the Army after June 30 are to be issued a wool olive drab field jacket, the War Department has ordered. Exact date of the issue has not been set. There are not yet enough units

on hand for distribution, but Army Service forces stated that issue, when made to its units, will be made in the following priority: Fourth Service Command, Eighth Service Command, Ninth Service Command, Military District of Washington, Third, Seventh, Fifth, Second, Sixth and First Service Commands.

Army Air Forces is going to establish priorities for issues of the field jacket within its own units.

## NEW POWER LINE FOR THIS AREA

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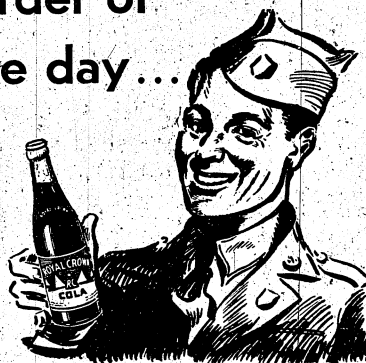
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### NO TRANSFER NEEDED

ATLANTA, April 3.—(AP)—Attorney General Eugene Cook in an informal opinion today said that a citizen who moves out of a county in which he is registered to vote, need not obtain from that county a transfer to his new county residence.

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## 15,000 Reenlistees— (Continued from Page 13)

The Reception Center, Mail Room, and other sections. Those eligible for discharge at the Reception Center will be immediately discharged from the STU men so as to prevent an accumulation of work.

The Checking Station and Identification Tag Section are the first sections the re-enlistees report to upon their arrival from furloughs in the Regular Army. Certain forms originate in this section and will bring the EM in contact with all other sections in the Reception Center.

In the Classification Section, these men are classified to determine their qualifications in order to meet quotas of various types of men needed to perform their jobs in other camps. Many of these men have been found capable of performing duties here in the Reception Center to help process the other re-enlistees.

### Make Out Allotments

Each man's "ticket" of his army record is kept in the Records Section, which is responsible for having each man's record ready and in perfect shape to accompany him when he is transferred to another camp. It is in this section that these men make out their allotments and take out insurance. Those financially handicapped receive partial pay.

In the Assignment the enlisted men are put in quotas and shipped to other camps. Several have been assigned to the newly-activated 107th Combat outfit across from the Reception Center, and some are assigned here too. This section is directly responsible for all assignments to other camps. Staff Sergeant Franklin Banks is the NCO in charge and is really kept on the ball at all times in getting these quotas together.

Keeping soldiers healthy is the business of Lt. Col. William C. Kennedy, surgeon of the Reception Center Dispensary and his staff. These doctors have launched a relentless campaign against social diseases and have made remarkable progress. To make sure that all re-enlistees are in top condition before leaving the Reception Center for assignment in other camps, they all must pass through the Dispensary for a general check-up.

It's morale building for a soldier to get a letter from home. The Reception Center Mail room is responsible for the re-enlistees' mail. WACs on the locator files in the mail room are always going through the files to track down the soldier so that he can get his mail, regardless of where he might be located.

### Balanced Diets

These thousands of men with their second helping of army life are fed at Mess Hall No. 1 and the mess personnel has provided them with balanced diets daily. Often the cooks are on the job late at night and early in the morning to prepare meals for those on shipment.

Uncle Sam will keep his soldiers well-clothed so the re-enlistees flock to the Quartermasters for their GI "clothes." Some of the men have put on a little flesh (in the stomach) and the clothes previously issued are too tight. These clothing items and others are exchanged at the Quartermasters too.

So great was this influx of men that larger facilities for spiritual guidance and the co-ordination of religious activities had to be made. Recently office space was provided in the rear of the Reception Hall for one of the chaplains to render personal services, conduct interviews and to give spiritual guidance to those attempting to stay in closer touch with God, trying to emulate his teachings from day to day. A supply of Bibles and other religious literature are available for daily readings. These chaplains are directly responsible for the religious and morale activities of these men. Both of the chaplains' offices here serve these men daily.

### Continue USAFI Studies

Many re-enlistees utilize the service of the Information and Education Section of the Athletic and Recreation Office enthusiastically seeking to continue studies begun overseas under the United States Armed Forces Institute. They are attempting to equip themselves with more knowledge to enhance their educational background as well as to become better soldiers in the peace-time army. They are looking forward to taking subjects leading towards the completion of high school and college courses interrupted by their entering the service. Many have expressed desire to take refresher courses in many fields.

The Athletic and Recreation Office provides athletic equipment and recreation for these men while awaiting transfer to other camps.

Members of WAC Detachment Section II, who were performing essential duties in the Postal Section, Personnel, Insurance, Records, Classification, Special Service, Athletic and Recreation and Information Sections and Dispensaries, rendered a significant service in helping process these thousands of men.

### AAF Liaison Office

There is a Army Air Forces Liaison Office at the Reception Center for assignment of AAF re-enlistees processed here and to supply AAF enlistment and recruiting information.

In view of the fact a soldier has personal problems that need to be threshed out, a branch office of the Personal Affairs Branch was recently established for convenience of the personnel at the Reception Center to give advice on allotments, back pay, Army Emergency Relief, loans, business matters, family affairs, emergency maternity and infant care, personal problems, insurance, War Bonds, Soldier Savings, legal aid, taxes, decorations, G. I. Bill, education, employment, pensions, and any other personal problems that have arisen as a result of military service.

At one time a large percentage of processing records was handled through the Reception Center Personnel Section, but the re-enlistees flocked back to the Reception Center in such large numbers this section was relieved of this duty.

The entire personnel at Regimental Headquarters is kept on the go getting many of the re-enlistees' men's records ready so they can be processed in the proper section here in time to prevent delay in processing of these men. Batches of records and other papers related to these men come to Regimental Headquarters before the men have arrived from their furloughs and

are soon dispatched for proper disposal.

### Return as Civilians

With the heavy influx of incoming men and quite a bit of the Reception Center Personnel being discharged from the service, civilian employees are now filling these vacancies in practically every department. Former servicemen and WACs of the Reception Center are still eager to work for the Army and have returned to the unit as civilians.

Several of the Regular Army members have musical ability and are now playing with the Reception Center 334th ASF Band. There is also a jump band which plays for dances.

After the re-enlistees have been processed, the day comes when the best of friends must part, for they are being shipped to camps throughout the country. Many men can be seen on their baggage backs waiting to hear their names called over the loudspeaker. Here sir! is the enlisted man's reply and then he's on the truck to be carried to the station.

All train and truck movements are handled through the Reception Center Transportation Section. This section is responsible for getting the required number of coaches, kitchen cars and pullmans for shipment. It is also responsible for selecting the shortest route and travel. Hundreds of men are moving out smartly daily now. Both officers and enlisted men of the Reception travel with these convoys so that men on shipment will reach their proper destination. This section is also responsible for the business around the area in matters related to the re-enlistees. Army vehicles and train movements are the business of the Transportation section.

Through the portals of Fort Benning's Reception Center have passed men who are gifted in many fields. There have been educators, musicians, artists, and craftsmen whose backgrounds reflected every imaginable vocation of the civilian life from which they came. Many have attended some of the best schools in the country.

While many of these men have been honorably discharged from the Army, or passed on to replacement centers to be utilized in other branches of the service, a large number remain in the Reception Center to give Fort Benning the largest array of talent to be found at any post.

### Commended By CO

The duties performed by these enlisted men have been of a high calibre, despite many handicaps at times.

"The cadremen have applied skill with satisfaction and effective results in processing these thousands of men reporting here for re-enlistment and their accomplishments in this work have been of a high distinction," Lt. Col. Tippins said. In addition to their regular military duties, these cadremen have gained national attention in the field of music and sports.

Congratulations to these men

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Twenty-one

who have reported to the Reception Center for their "second helping" of Army life, for assurance of employment during the lean years that usually follow war, and to perform a significant and vital service for their country in the Army.

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## 25th To Parade In Washington

On April 6th First Army's 25th Combat Team, recently redesignated from the 107th and the only Negro unit of its kind, will take part in the War Department's Army Day parade in Washington, D. C. It was announced by Brigadier General James R. N. Weaver, commanding general, Fourth Hq., First Army.

Under the command of Col. R. W. Jenna, commanding officer of the 25th Infantry Regiment, 500 men and officers have been selected to march with the famed 82nd Airborne Division as part of the V corps' contribution to the capital's Army Day celebration. Now at Fort Meade the men of the 25th Combat Team are undergoing final preparations for the parade.

With an outstanding record for World War II and a history dating back to 1869 when it was first activated in New Orleans, the 25th Infantry Regiment combines with the 571st Field Artillery Battalion, the 22nd Tank Company, 973rd Engineer Combat Company, and the 375th Medical Collecting Company to form the 25th Combat Team, commanded by Col. Robert L. Dalaney.

## Local Stations—

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sacred music. "Church Call" at which will play 20 minutes of 7:30 will be followed by the Professional in which chaplains of the various units of the post, the combined Senior and Junior choir and the flag bearers, will march.

Balcony, on Hill  
They will take their place around the altar, at the east end of the bowl with chaplains who are not participating in the actual service, joining the commanding officers of their individual units on the balcony of the Horseshow cabin located atop one of the terraced hills.

The invocation will be followed by a band number, the Scripture lesson, prayer, an anthem and the Easter sermon. The Doxology, the Benediction and Recessional will complete the service with a final band number played while



**DISCHARGED** after a year's tenure as Post Chaplain, Maj. Frederick W. Helfr left Fort Benning over the week-end for separation at Fort McPherson in time to assume his duties as pastor of Christian Temple in Baltimore, Md. Mrs. Helfr joined her husband in Atlanta yesterday for the trip to Baltimore.

## 65 Generals—

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problem demonstrated clearly a high degree of training and close attention to detail. Particularly outstanding was the cooperative spirit displayed during the planning and rehearsal phase by all concerned.

"Will you please extend to all ranks my commendation for the superb performance which added materially to the success of the Field Artillery Conference and which reflects great credit on the Airborne School Troops and on the Airborne School."

One company of infantry and one section of artillery jumped in the demonstration, augmented by a section of glider artillery.

the crowd disperses. The entire program will be held to a 45-minute time limit. A spirit of reverence and humility will prevail in this natural sylvan setting for the commemoration of the Resurrection of Christ.

## P.T.A. Will Hold Easter Egg Hunt For Kids Of Post

There's going to be a Big Easter Egg Hunt.

It will be held the Saturday before Easter, sponsored by the Parent Teacher Association of Fort Benning for children of military personnel residing on the post.

It happened like this—The Easter Bunny himself sent an urgent telegram saying he thought it was high time something was done about having an egg hunt. Before the war there was ALWAYS an Easter egg hunt, every Easter and, in the Bunny's opinion, now is the time to start having them again.

Hearing about the Easter Bunny's message the P.T.A. generously offered to cooperate and will make all plans and arrangements for the hunt.

So get set, kids—watch the BAYONET for latest details about where and at what time and all about the Big Easter Egg Hunt.

## Post School Kids Win Countywide Spelling Contest

Charles Carlson, 12-year-old son of Chaplain (Capt.) Charles P. Carlson of Fort Benning, vanquished all opposition to win first prize in the Chattahoochee County Spelling Bee held in Cusseta High school Friday afternoon. Charles won a \$25 victory Savings Bond in a contest between the Cusseta and Fort Benning Schools sponsored by the Atlanta Journal.

Second place honors in the county contest went to Ann Marie Kerr, daughter of Maj. and Mrs. Jackson T. Kerr, also of Fort Benning.

## Mrs. Brown Wins First of Weekly Golf Tournaments

Launching the woman's weekly golf competitions, 15 members of the Womens Golf Group took part Friday in a Blind Bogey tournament.

The nine-hole match was won by Mrs. L. D. Brown. Mrs. Wayne Archer placed first in the 18-hole play. Second place went to Mrs. E. J. Curtis with Mrs. Thomas R. Gibson placing third.

Mrs. Archer, chairman of the group, has announced that the Easter Hand match will be played next Friday for which it is hoped that more ladies will turn out than so far have competed.

The group has stressed the fact that novice players and beginners as well as advanced players are welcome to join as play is entirely for the fun and enjoyment of the game. In many of the Friday matches the element of luck plays

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an important part, giving the beginner an equal chance with the expert. Ladies may make up their own foursomes.

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# Britain Honors Col. McGown In Washington

Last week while Washington and its current visitors swarmed to the famed Tidal Basin, where Japanese cherry trees in full bloom, announced an official arrival of Spring to the nation's capital, a quiet ceremony was taking place at 2100 Massachusetts avenue.

In the dignified atmosphere of the British Embassy ballroom sat half a hundred American soldiers, sailors and Marines, among whom was Lt. Col. Hal McGown, of the Tactical Section, The Infantry School, together with his wife and young son, Hal Jr. The service men listened attentively, as did the two hundred other guests, while Lord Halifax, British Ambassador to the United States, spoke of American valor in the war and of the debt Great Britain owed to the courage of those who had fallen.

## 'Gallant Leadership'

The occasion was that of presenting medals to members of both the American and British armed forces. Lord Halifax, weak from a recent illness, excused himself from further participation in the lengthy ceremony and sat quietly by with Lady Halifax while British Minister Ballour superintended the awarding of medals.

To Colonel McGown went the



COL. MCGOWN

British Distinguished Service Order, comparable to the American Distinguished Service Cross, for his gallant leadership and outstanding courage that grim day in 1945 when he led his battalion in an unexpected move across open terrain to attack and establish a foothold in the German town of Konigshoven.

Of the ceremony Colonel McGown said later, "it was formal, but an easy formality." Of the cherry blossoms, he said, "beautiful." Of Washington's most impressive sight, he adjudged "Lincoln Memorial. It's magnificent."

WANT AD: "Will the sailor who took a fur coat by mistake from the Mission Beach ballroom, return the blonde, who happened to be asleep in it? No questions asked."

# 'Girl Crazy'

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good enough to warrant his taking a fling at a concert career, which he did—and successfully. Eventually he made a neat exodus from the concert platform to the stage of the Radio City Music Hall in New York and from there to the Johnson Wax radio program in Chicago. He was doing character parts and comedy singing and continuing to do his act when Fibber McGee and Molly took over the program. But somehow he got the idea that Fibber McGee and Molly weren't going to last so he jumped at an offer to go to London.

In England, he made an immediate hit at the Savoy and during the next six years built up an international reputation as a comedian, making the English laugh at themselves. Since his return to America he has played at such spots as El Mocambo in Montreal, The Hurricane and Club Maxim in N. Y., Pittsburgh's Yacht Club, Baltimore's Benbow and a Bali in Miami. Wherever he has appeared he has had rave notices in the papers. He's a natural for the GI circuits.

## Harriet Parker (Erisco Kate)

Studied for an operatic career but turned the tables on the classics and now specializes in singing the blues. She's a night club favorite and has also been heard over WEAZ, the "Wee Wee Review" and "Round The Town" programs.

## Charles Mayer (Danny)

Calh Washington, D. C. home. He started his professional career in experimental television working with Francis Jenkins, one of the foremost developers of television at W3XK. Then he turned his talents towards radio and was heard on the "Song Garden," "Song Caravan" and "Pontiac Show" programs—all for NBC. His theatrical career consists of engagements in Washington, D. C. for Loew's and Warner Bros.

## Wallace Gilrone, Janice Starr (Cowboy and Tess)

Met at a church dance in Irvington, N. J., and have been dancing together ever since. They've made a cross-continental tour of the United States in leading hotels, theaters and night clubs and have devoted considerable time to the entertainment of servicemen at camps, service centers and hospitals. Last summer they appeared in the Louisville Civic Opera at the Iriquois Amphitheater as featured dancers, and while there, the Messrs. Schubert engaged them as specialty dancers for the road company of "The Merry Widow." Louisville audiences have also seen Gilrone and Starr in "Countess Maritza," "The Chocolate Soldier" and "Brielly."

## Irving Benson (Slick)

Was approached by a gentleman who had been observing his clown-like antics on the streets of New York and asked if he had ever been in show business. Benson replied that he hadn't. The observer asked if he would like to try it. "Yes," Benson replied. The gentleman was none other than Raymond Allen of Famous Players, Inc., who operates over 100 theaters in Canada. Since that time, Benson has traveled with the road companies of "You Can't Take It With You," "Room Service" and "Waiting for Lefty." His Broadway appearances included "Boy Meets Girl" and "Having a Wonderful Time."

## Teri Regis

Is the seventh child of a seventh child—which means she's supposed to be lucky. As a youngster, she used to sing and dance on street corners. Her mother was finally persuaded to foot the bill for professional training and she made her professional debut as a vocalist with a local band playing to New York hotel audiences. Subsequently she toured Canada and the USA and was also acclaimed by GIs at installations up

and down the Atlantic seaboard

## Supporting Cast

Others in the cast include Kendall Bryson, "Sam"; Robin Morse "Jake"; and a glittering chorus of ten gorgeous girls—Jane Lamb, Helen Haines, Ronnie Reason, Flossie Newkirk, Helen Schmidt, Robbie Robinson, Rita O'Donnell, Jan Spore, Phyllis Burk and Mary Barry.

They say the sergeant married her because her uncle left her a million dollars. The sergeant says that's not true. He would have married her, no matter who left her the million dollars.

# Trackmen Wanted For Post Squad

A call for all interested trackmen was sounded yesterday by Lt. William Fannin, post athletic director, for 1:30 o'clock next Wednesday afternoon at Doughboy Stadium.

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## IX Troop Carriers Put Under Tactical Command

Redesignating the Ninth Troop Carrier Command of which Carrier Command, announced, as Lawson Field at Fort Benning is part of the new organization of an integral base as the Third Air Force (Troop Carrier) was of the new Army Air Forces. The unit was redesignated, Maj. Gen. Paul L. Williams, command-

The troop carrier command will be under the Tactical Command in the new set-up and will co-

operate in missions with the surface forces.

For the present, Gen. Williams said, regular peacetime missions now being carried out by the Troop Carrier Command here will continue to be flown, with the only change being the redesignation of the Ninth Troop Carrier Command of Third Air Force (Troop Carrier).

### Strong Force

Commenting on the new air program, Gen. Williams said a strong Airborne striking force, carried by the Third Air Force (Troop Carrier), would be available in the United States for rapid concentration and employment.

"Under this new program, and other plans being projected by the War Department," Gen. Williams explained, "our Army will be the most mobile in the world. Through the tactical command, all types of combat equipment and combat troops can be hurled into combat in distant places almost at a moment's notice, in big new airplanes like the C-52 and C-97 and other types of transports now in the planning stage."

The Third Air Force (Troop Carrier) will be headed by Major General Williams, whose present headquarters will remain at Greenville, South Carolina. Maj. Gen. E. R. Quesada will head the Tactical Command, with Headquarters at Langley Field, Va.

Functions, command structure, subordinate wings, and groups will remain the same in location and missions, according to General Williams. "Tactical Air Command is in rightful place as a complete air force with Troop Carrier support," he declared.

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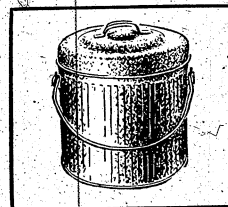


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## Col. Senne—

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University in 1930 and 1931 to achieve his master's degree.  
Colonel Senne's first charge was at the St. John's Lutheran Church in Lexington, Ky., where he remained four years before accepting a reserve commission as a first lieutenant to see duty with the Civilian Conservation Corps in West Virginia.

**Assigned to Dix**  
Entering active duty with the Army in 1940, Chaplain Senne was promoted to captain and assigned to Fort Dix, N. J., as assistant post chaplain.  
In March, 1942, Chaplain Senne was ordered to transport duty out of the New York Port of Embarkation, serving as chaplain aboard the U. S. S. Siboney on many trips across the submarine-infested North Atlantic.

The new post chaplain confided that transport duty isn't the most pleasant or safe assignment in wartime, adding that on several occasions submarines were sighted and fired upon by the crew of the Siboney.

A brief tour at Indiantown Gap Reservation in Pennsylvania followed for the then Major Senne in 1944 before his assignment as post chaplain at Camp Gordon. At Gordon, Chaplain Senne was director of 13 chapels and 32 chaplains at the peak of the camp's strength.

For his work at Camp Gordon, post chaplain, Colonel Senne was promoted to lieutenant colonel and recently was awarded the Army Commendation ribbon to add to his American, European and Pacific Theater ribbons.

Colonel Senne is married to the

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former Pearl Oster of Fairmont, W. Va. The couple has a daughter, Gretchen. The chaplain's father is pastor of the Emanuel Lutheran Church in Sweet Spring, Mo.

Two brothers are also in the service: Commander Herbert Senne at Pensacola Naval Air Station, and S-Sgt. Clements on duty at the Separation Center at Jefferson Barracks, Mo.

## 1,000 Civilians—

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which was equipped with a boom jutting 30-feet earthward from the "belly" of the huge ship and which grasped the 75-foot tow line in front of the glider.

Returning to the GI buses which were used for transportation about the Main Post, the civilian guests were driven to Hook Range where the Infantry School put on a two-hour demonstration of all types of weapons used by the infantry.

**OCS Demonstrate**  
Ten minutes were devoted to showing the various phases of physical conditioning for combat as demonstrated by an officer candidate class.

A brief description of the famed radio-controlled airplane was next given the guests, followed by an actual flight of the tiny plane which was used during the war to train gunners for anti-aircraft defense. The radio-controlled plane was landed by parachute at the conclusion of the display.

Then followed a demonstration of the individual weapons used by various portions of an infantry battalion from a rifle and carbine to the 75 mm recoilless cannon. Civilians leaned forward in their bleacher seats to view at close range the firing of mortars, grenades, rifles, machine guns,

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bazookas, flame throwers, 105 howitzers, 75 mm "kickless" cannons and medium tanks.

**'Mad Minute' at MLR**  
As a climax to the show the infantrymen staged a "mad minute" along the Main Line of Resistance where squads firing all types of weapons combined for 60 seconds of sustained fire to neutralize the enemy atop Hook Range.

Co-ordinating the Army Week demonstrations were Maj. Gen. Gerry Chapman of The Airborne School, Maj. Gen. John W. O'Daniel of The Infantry School, Brig. Gen. B. F. Caffey Jr., post commander, and Col. Henry R. Baxter of Lawton Field.

Mrs. Lyon: "Oh, John, I'm so nervous, I can just feel there is a mouse under the bed."

Mr. Lyon: "Feel there is a cat there, too, my love, and go to sleep."

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## MESS SARGE GETS BRONZE STAR FOR HIS XMAS DINNER IN ETO!

Anyone who has dined in the 8th Company mess hall at the Academic Regiment, will agree that Sgt. Trillix Murrell should get a medal for the works of art concocted in his kitchen. But even those familiar with his culinary capabilities, will be surprised to learn that the Infantry School soldier won the Bronze Star for the Christmas dinner he served in 1944.

"It was with the 4th Division at the time," Murrell relates. "We had landed with other American divisions at Normandy, smashed through the Siegfried Line and were rolling on into the heart of Germany. My company was in the front lines and had been living on C and K rations for several days. I knew that there was little holiday cheer that Christmas out in the fox holes where our men had nothing but M-1 rifles, empty stomachs and unpleasant thoughts to keep them company. I decided to get a hot Xmas dinner out to the boys if I had to crawl all the way. I put the food in five gallon insulated cans, loaded them in the back of a jeep and took off for the front."

**Shells Cut Down Trees**  
"Before I was half way to our forward positions, the enemy started throwing a heavy artillery barrage our way. When shells began to cut tree tops off in my vicinity, I should have taken to a shell crater until things died down. When the concussion of a shell that landed too close for comfort threw me out of the jeep, there was nothing for me to do but take cover and wait."

The firepicks lasted about two hours. When it was quiet once more, I shook off a small hill of dirt and debris and climbed out of the ditch in which I had found shelter. The jeep, miraculously was intact and the cans of food in the back were untouched. Serving that Christmas dinner was the biggest thrill of my seven years of army life. I know just how Santa Claus feels."

Murrell's company, with attached units, hit the beaches of Normandy 240 strong. By the time the Siegfried Line had been penetrated, 200 men of the unit

had been killed or seriously wounded. After a night of particularly heavy action in the vicinity of Frun, Murrell went into the field in the morning expecting to feed 130 men and found that he had only 40 men left in the outfit. His company's high morale, in spite of heavy casualties, was partly due, his citation claims, to Murrell's risking his life almost daily to take hot meals to his men in forward positions over almost impassable roads and under the most adverse conditions.

## TIS Graduates 101 EM Radiomen

A total of 101 graduates, members of Class No. 76, in the Enlisted Radio Operators Course, received diplomas at commencement exercises held at the Communications Section, The Infantry School, last Thursday.

Col. Brookner W. Brady, chief of section, presented the certificates to the graduates, who had completed a 14-week course.

There were seven students who gained superior ratings. They included: Pats Raymond E. Benton, Wah - Chock Ching, James A. Deyo, Norman J. Hansen, Lewis P. Hildreth, Eugene P. Masterson and Lawrence P. Root.

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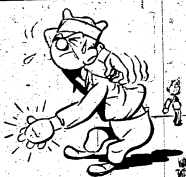
A SAFETY DEVICE, calculated to prevent accidents to motorists who went their way down the old Cusseta Road paralleling the Super Highway, serves as a barrier to a 28-foot drop to the new highway. The guard fence, bedecked with a large "Dead End" sign, was erected by Post Engineers at the direction of Maj. Clarence Cohen, post safety director. When the Super Highway was constructed the old Cusseta road was bisected near the Cusseta out road by mistake. (Signal Corps Photo.)

## Little USO-YWCA Announces April Feature Programs

BY SGT. W. A. HAGINS  
Announcement has been made by Miss Lillian C. Williams, director of the Little USO-YWCA, 506-5th Avenue, Columbus, that many features will be presented there during April, and a cordial invitation is extended to all service personnel and the public.  
Here's a brief resume of activities scheduled at the Little USO-YWCA this month: The First Annual Charn School, sponsored by the Eglantine Club of Spencer High School, will be held at the Little USO, April 5-12-19. Program speakers for the occasion are as follows: Dr. Mary McCoo—"Teen Topics," April 5, at 7:00 p. m.; Misses Annie Mae and Ethel Spencer—"Charm in Travel," April 12, at 7:00 p. m.; Mrs. Betty L. Brewer—"Good Looks For You" and Mrs. Francis B. Moore—"Table Etiquette And Social Graces"—April 19 at 7:00 p. m. The club will give its spring dance April 13 at 8:00 p. m. Refreshments will be served during the intermission.

Culminating classes of the First Annual Charn School will be held at the USO-YMCA, 841-5th Avenue, Columbus, April 26 at 7:00 p. m. Miss Lillian Sconiers will speak on the subject: "Ceremonial And Teen Fashions." April 21 (Easter Sunday) Mrs. Walker of Tuskegee Institute will be presented in a piano recital at 4:00 p. m. The usual free breakfast will be held at the Little USO-YWCA April 14 at 9:15 a. m. Reverend T. W. Smith of the First African Baptist Church, will review the Sunday School lesson around the breakfast.

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## Ex-POWs Tour Airborne School

Thirteen ex-POW officers, students from 715 Special Officers Advanced classes, were welcomed by Maj. Gen. Gerry Chapman, TABS commandant, in an extensive tour of the Airborne School, Tuesday, March 26.

All phases of parachute training were presented to the visitors during their seven hour itinerary. Included were demonstrations of parachute training aids and parachute functioning, directed and explained by the school Director of Parachute Training, Lt. Col. A. R. Taylor.

During the morning half of the tour, the group was flown from Lawson Field in a C-48 "Commando" plane to witness a mass jump by TABS troopers over Normandy Field, Lt. Col. Taylor acted as commentator while they were circling the Drop Zone.

Returning to Lawson Field, Lt. Col. David P. Schorr, school Director of Air-Landing Training, accompanied the 13 officers by motor to Ameyville Field to witness a Parachute Field Artillery drop demonstration.

During the afternoon, the group was introduced to Glider Training by Lt. Col. Schorr, with a glider flight over Lawson Field.

The tour ended with a Parachute Bundle and Equipment Display under the supervision of Lt. Col. Jack T. Shannon, Director of Special Training.

The following 13 officers represented the Infantry School Special Officers Advanced Classes No. 2, POW, touring the Airborne School: Colonels Harold K. Johnson, Everett C. Williams, Albert H. Dumas, Irvine C. Scudder, Donald D. Blackburn, A. C. Young, Lt. Col. Ray E. Dorn, Majors Everett V. Mead, Donald G. Thompson, William C. Porter, George B. Moore, Kenneth L. Boggs, Jerome A. McDevitt.

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## OC Schools Open In Many Branches

Enlisted men may still apply for training in Officer Candidate School, and a future Commissioned Officer for practically every branch of the Army are open. Among those that applications may be accepted for are Army Air Force (Administration), Armored Chemical, Warfare, Field Artillery, Engineers, Finance, Infantry, Judge Advocate, Military Police, Ordnance, Signal Corps and Transportation. Before filing application a man should check for the following requirements: he must be 18-35 years of age, have finished basic training, and be willing to stay in the Army for a year after the date of graduation from OCS. If he is eliminated from a class his eligibility for discharge will be that existing for any other enlisted man.

A form of "underwater demolition" was used in warfare as early as the fifth century B. C. according to the Encyclopedia Britannica. Grecian divers sawed down barriers which had been built below the surface of the water to prevent Grecian warships from entering the harbor of Syracuse.

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## Air Corps Leads In Decorations With 1,304,399

A total of 1,725,344 Army decorations and awards were made to Army personnel from December 7, 1941, through November 30, 1945, the War Department announced today. The total includes all decorations or awards granted except the Purple Heart which was given all men wounded in action.

The Medal of Honor, the Nation's highest military award, given only for gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of life, above and beyond the call of duty, had been granted to 240 Army men for service in World War II through November 30, 1945. The other Army decorations for valor and achievement, in the order of their precedence, were awarded as follows: Distinguished Service Cross, 4,036; Distinguished Service Medal, 987; Silver Star, 69,027; Legion of Merit, 12,285; Distinguished Flying Cross, 124,827; Soldier's Medal, 11,343; Bronze Star, 340,510; Air Medal, 1,162,087.

**Infantry Gets Top Medals**  
Of the 240 Medals of Honor, 177 were awarded to Infantrymen. The Infantry also received most of the Distinguished Service Crosses, 2,679, and the largest number of both the Silver Star, 42,185, and the Bronze Star, 158,469.

The Army Air Corps received the largest number of decorations of the total awarded to all the arms and services, 1,304,399. Of these, 1,147,635 were awards of the Air Medal, which in most

cases is based on the number of combat missions flown and is awarded almost exclusively to Air Forces personnel. The Eighth Air Force, which was in operation longer than any other Air Force overseas, led with 505,351 decorations; 577,282 Air Medals were awarded to officers over 80 percent of which went to lieutenants, and 584,805 were awarded to enlisted men.

Most Heroes Were Pfc's.  
Enlisted men were awarded 157 Medals of Honor, 2,132 Distinguished Service Crosses, 46,671 Silver Stars, 565,745 Bronze Stars, 1,894 Distinguished Service Medals, and 9,143 Soldier's Medals. Officers received 83 Medals of Honor, 1,894 Distinguished Service Crosses, 22,256 Silver Stars, 84,765 Bronze Stars Medals and 2,202 Soldier's Medals.

Privates first class led by a wide margin all grades of officers and enlisted men in the number of decorations for heroism. Among officers, the junior grades (second lieutenants, first lieutenants and captains), who received the most casualties and commanded the smaller units, predominated over field grade and general officers in all combat awards with first lieutenants taking the lead.

The Army's highest non-combat award, the Distinguished Service Medal, is awarded for exceptionally meritorious service in a position of great responsibility. Criteria established for the Distinguished Service Medal normally can be met only by officers of high rank who must exercise independent initiative in decisions of great importance.

It was awarded to 986 officers and one enlisted man, Staff Sergeant Joseph L. Lockard, who, as a private on duty with an aircraft detector unit at Hawaii on December 7, 1941, remained on duty after the completion of the scheduled operation period and recognized signals indicating a flight of planes approximately 132 miles distant and promptly reported his readings. It was later established that the approaching planes thus reported were the Japanese attacking force.

The Legion of Merit was awarded to 9,460 officers and 2,795 enlisted men. It is granted for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services.

## Law Committee To Review Army Justice System

Secretary of War Patterson announced today the appointment of a civilian committee to review the administration of military justice within the Army and to recommend revisions in the Army's courts-martial procedure and changes in existing military laws and regulations if such are found necessary or appropriate.

The War Department requested the American Bar Association to select from the membership of the association a committee for this purpose. In accordance with this request, Mr. Willis Smith, president of the American Bar Association, nominated the following, who have been appointed by Secretary Patterson to serve as the War Department Advisory Committee on Military Justice:

**Vanderbilt Is Chairman.**  
Chairman is Arthur P. Vanderbilt, Newark, New Jersey, Dean of the New York University Law School and former president of the American Bar Association; Judge Alexander Holtzoff, of Washington, D. C., of the District Court of the United States for the District of Columbia, is committee secretary.

Other members are Joseph W. Henderson, Philadelphia, Pa.; Jacob M. Lashly, St. Louis, Mo.; Walter P. Armstrong, Memphis, Tenn., all former presidents of the American Bar Association; Federal Circuit Judge Morris A.

Soper, Baltimore, Md.; Frederick E. Crane, New York City, former Chief Justice of the New York Court of Appeals; Floyd E. Thompson, Chicago, Ill., former member of the American Bar Association Board of Governors and former Chief Justice of Illinois; and William T. Joyner, Raleigh, N. C., attorney.

The committee will have full freedom of action in conducting its survey and arriving at its conclusions and recommendations. The group will conduct such investigations and call such witnesses as it may deem desirable. The Under Secretary of War Kenneth C. Royall will place at the committee's disposal all appropriate facilities and information within the War Department.

**Wants 'Just System'**  
In announcing the appointment of the committee, the Secretary of War stated: "The War Department wants the most efficient and just system of military justice that can be devised in the light of military experience, American conception of punitive justice and enlightened penology. It is the course of wisdom now to make a thorough review of our courts-martial experience in this war and to derive benefit from those experiences. I am happy to have the wise counsel of the committee selected by the American Bar Association at that important task."

The committee's first meeting will be held in Washington in April.

Among some natives of Eastern Central Africa a wife may divorce a husband who fails to sew her clothes, according to the Encyclopaedia Britannica.

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## Movement to ETO Okayed For 1073 GI Dependents

Applications for the transportation of 1073 dependents to the European theater have been approved for the month of April and the movement is expected to get under way by the middle of April. Priority lists and details of the transportation plan are now en route to the United States and the individuals concerned will be notified in the latter part of March by the War Department.

The dependents who have qualified under the priority system governing the overseas movement are the families of 610 applicants and comprise 643 adults and 430 children. In the latter group, 274 are less than four years of age, 120 are between five and 11, 24 are between 12 and 14, and 12 are between 15 and 17 years of age.

**Rank No Factor**  
They were sorted on the basis of first priority for applicants who agreed to remain overseas for a period of two years and second priority for those who indicated willingness to remain overseas for a period of more than one year but less than two years. Relative priority between these categories is based on longest cumulative service since December 7, 1941. Rank or grade is not a factor in the determination of priority lists.

Each family group will be housed in a living unit appropriate for the number of dependents involved. All will be located in areas adjacent to the military posts to which the applicants are assigned. Recreational facilities will be provided and medical care and hospitalization will be furnished. The facilities of Army commissaries and the Army Exchange Service will be available. No schools will be provided by the War Department but it is anticipated that some sort of community educational system may be set-up by the theater commander if teachers

are available among the dependents themselves.

The personal baggage which may be checked aboard ship will have the same limitation for all dependents regardless of the rank or grade of the applicant: One piece of hand baggage and one foot locker or steamer trunk for each passenger for stateroom use, plus 350 pounds for adults and 175 pounds for each child under 12, to be stored in the hold.

**Broader Legislation Sought**  
Legislation has been introduced in Congress to authorize all ranks and grades to transport household goods overseas at government expense. At present the law authorizes this transportation only for officers and enlisted men, of the first four grades.

The personal allowance of 350 pounds and 175 pounds aboard ship are considered a part of the total household allowance and calculations should be made accordingly. In this connection, it was emphasized that the personal allowance and hand baggage should include linens, tableware and silverware, and outer clothing of both summer and winter types. The outer clothing supply should be sufficient to last at least one year. Informal bulletins and specific articles and procedure for the trip are now being prepared for early distribution.

The pending legislation also would authorize transportation at government expense of all dependents of all grades and ranks from their homes to their overseas destinations. As the law now stands, the dependents of the lower four grades will have to pay their own way to the port of embarkation while dependents of officers and enlisted men of the first three grades will be carried to the port at government expense.

**Must Pay For Meals**  
Aboard ship, the only charges for the dependents of officers and men of all grades will be for meals. The rates will be \$1.50 a day for adults, 75 cents a day for children from three to eight years of age and 25 cents a day for children less than three years of age.

Personally owned automobiles may be shipped on Army transports at no expense to the individual provided surplus space is available. Tentative shipping schedules indicate, however, that space will be at a premium and that few automobiles will be carried. Military personnel whose dependents join them overseas will

## Vibraharp Artist Plays at S. C. 4

BY S. SGT. ALYSEN E. WISE

That memorable motto of the Thespians, "The Show Must Go On," was concretely proven when Cleveland, Ohio's virtuoso of the vibraharp, Sgt. Paul Kohler, wouldn't allow a heavy downpour of rain to interfere with his scheduled engagement at Service Club No. 4.

It was also an added triumph to the credit of Miss Betty Collins, Junior Hostess, Service Club No. 4, and Mrs. Hazel Blackburn, Director of Service Club No. 4, for their newly innovation 'exchange of talent' system.

This procedure of exchanging outstanding performers, who render presentations at each club, insures a wide range of fresh talent for their weekly and special shows.

Sgt. Kohler's program of classical and semi-classical favorites, pleasingly interspersed with popular and novelty numbers made a tremendous hit with his small but enthusiastic audience who braved the inclement weather to attend his performance. The youthful artist is unique in his many accomplishments. He adheres strictly to a rule of originality and many of the difficult feats which he initiates with amazing and breath-taking wizardry are often witnessed for the first time on his instrument.

During the early phase of the recent war, Sgt. Kohler joined the USO Shows, a position which took him to several Theatres of Operations.

His name is familiar to many thousands of GIs in all sections of the country, and during off-duty hours, you'll probably see him in some Service or USO Club thrilling an appreciative audience with his clever bag of tricks.

be furnished quarters for their dependents and will therefore not be entitled to any rental allowance or monetary allowance in lieu of quarters.

### Trident Division

Originally slated for the war in the Pacific, the men of the 27th (Trident) Infantry Division went instead, through the exigencies of the war, to the European theater. The 97th landed in France where after being held in reserve for several weeks, it was assigned to the Fifteenth Army. Later, the Trident was shifted to the First Army and thrown into the battle near Dusseldorf, designed to



liquidate Germans trapped in the Ruhr pocket.

Then the 97th was shifted to Bonn, at the southern end of the pocket, along the Rhine. On April 3, the division crossed the Rhine, went into action along the Sieg river, captured several German towns, including Siegburg, and then was shifted back to the Dusseldorf area, to close the pocket from the south.

Moved again, the 97th was put under General Patton in the Third Army, and committed to action near the town of Hof. The division remained in the fighting for five weeks, moving up into Czechoslovakia with the Third Army.

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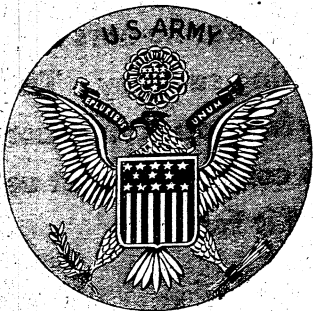
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## War Department Hikes Standards For ROTC Profs

Recognizing the contribution of officers trained under the Reserve Officers Training Corps program to the success of the war, the War Department has established higher qualifications for Professors of Military Science and Tactics and their assistants who will be assigned to ROTC units.

ations is the first result of conferences held by the Committee on Post-War ROTC Affairs, at which numerous civilian and military educators presented their recommendations.

**Of Highest Calibre**  
Those officers assigned as Professors of Military Science and Tactics will be of the highest professional calibre and qualified for general service. Recommendations of officers for such duty by the commanding general of the major force concerned must be approved by the War Department. They must hold permanent field grade, (major, lieutenant colonel or colonel), must have served at least 12 months overseas since December 7, 1941, and must be accept-

able to authorities of the Institution to which assigned.

In accordance with the National Defense Act, only Regular Army officers shall be detailed as Professors of Military Science and Tactics. In general, no officer will be so assigned who is beyond his fifty-fifth birthday and has not been graduated from the Command and General Staff School or its equivalent.

**College Graduates**  
When practicable, all officers assigned to ROTC duty will be college graduates.

The selection of assistants assigned to ROTC duty will be governed by the same criteria as outlined for Professors of Military Science and Tactics, except that they may be in the grade of first lieutenant to colonel with at least three years' active commissioned service. Appointments as assistants will be open also to officers who are not in the Regular Army if they have agreed to continue on extended active duty for an unlimited length of time or if they have agreed to continue on extended active duty until June 30, 1947, and have applied for commissions in the Regular Army. Their appointments will be approved by the Commanding General of the major force concerned, and in general they will be not more than 49 years old.

There are 137 colleges and universities with Senior ROTC units and 134 military schools, academies and high schools with Junior ROTC units.

The seaman stood rather timidly before his commanding officer. "You see, sir," he said, "my wife thinks I ain't being advanced enough. She told me to ask you to recommend me for a rate." "I understand," smiled the CO, "and I'll tell you what I'll do; I'll ask my wife if I can." Old Lady: "What rank did you hold in the Navy?" Sailor: "Ship's Optician, ma'am." Old Lady: "I never heard of that one before. What did you do?" Sailor: "I scraped the eyes of the potatoes."

Counterfeiters cheated the American public out of only \$48,000 in 1942, compared with spoils of \$771,000 per year between 1933 and 1935, according to the Encyclopedia Britannica. A count-

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## 'Mad Minute'

Continued from Page 2

Maj. Gen. John W. (Iron Mike) O'Daniel, commandant, pointed out that 65,000 second lieutenants were trained at Fort Benning for vital important combat roles in the war.

Maj. Gen. Gerry Chapman, commandant of The Airborne School, in his greeting preceding the initial event of the afternoon — trial jumps from the 250-foot steel training towers — told the civilian guests: "... this is how your war bond money was spent — this is your Army."

Both generals spoke briefly, leaving the big show to the GIs. The GIs went through explanations of training technique laying a foundation for clearer understand-

sanding on the part of the visitors for actions to follow.

## Guests Are Thanked

Curtain drop on the impressive show of new weapons, tactical operations, and sheer power was a few remarks by Brig. Gen. Benjamin F. Caffey Jr., post commander, "thanking" his guests for being present and stating it was a "privilege" to be their host.

Guests from as far south as Thomaston, included Postmaster Alton H. Harvey, president of the Georgia chapter of the National Association of postmasters, who said he saw "no less than 20 Georgia postmasters" present from the Chattahoochee valley.

Guests were present from Griffin, Americus, Macon, Talbotton, and many other towns in Georgia. Alabama sent visitors from

## Russian Commandant

### Is Replaced In Berlin

BERLIN, April 2 — (AP) — Maj. Gen. Smirnov was succeeded today as Russian commandant in Berlin by Maj. Gen. A. G. Kotikov. Gen. Smirnov introduced his successor at the meeting of the Allied commandant before leaving for Moscow and a new assignment.

Kissing was a part of nearly all the dances of France and Italy during the 17th and 18th centuries. According to the Encyclopaedia Britannica, the practice "seems to have died greatly to the popularity of the pastime."

Opelika, Hurtsboro, Tuskegee, and various points.

Many of the communities were represented by mayors, postmasters, bank presidents, merchants, brokers, farmers, teachers, students and people from all walks of life to represent what General O'Daniel described as a "real cross-section" of America.

The exhibition was a preview to residents of the valley of what "America's Most Complete Military Post" will show to the nearly 800 members of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce who are invited Thursday afternoon to view the same demonstration.

If any added attraction were needed, Fort Benning is preparing a real Army barbecue for its Columbus guests following the demonstration Thursday.

The celebration of Army Week will culminate Saturday morning at 10 a. m. when the mammoth hour-long Army Day parade gets underway in downtown Columbus in the first major event of its kind in five years.

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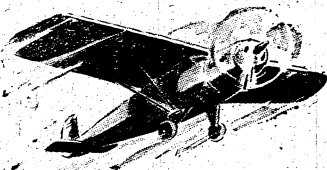
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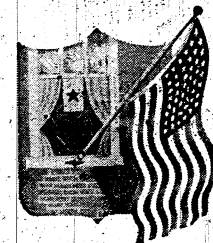
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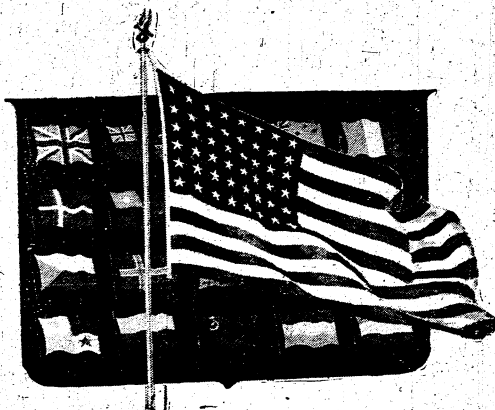
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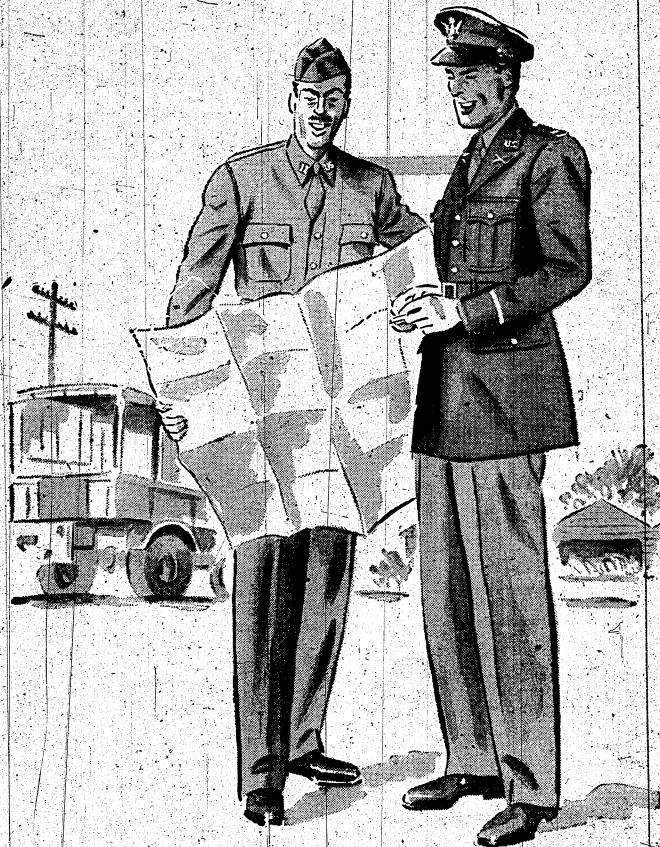
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